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Pursuant to the call of the Honorable President, the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States met in its thirty-eighth convention, the sixth time as a delegate body, in the Evangelical Lutheran Churches at Columbus, Ohio, on the 23rd of August, 1906, at 10 A. M. The sessions were held in the Trinity Lutheran Church, Rev. C. C. Hein, pastor. The Honorable President, C. H. L. Schuette, D. D., preached the Synodical Sermon on Jer. 23, 28, after which the Synod was formally opened by him. The roll call showed 77 delegates — 45 clerical and 24 lay-delegates; 8 teachers, 31 advisory, 69 guests present — total 146. The voting members are distributed among the different districts as follows:

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Pastors.	Lay Delegates.
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Teachers.

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Rev. Hartwig Harms, missionary of India, and G. Doering, Emigrant Missionary, New York City, were welcomed by Synod.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS AND REPORT.

I. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

O God, Thou God of our salvation, do good in Thy good pleasure unto Zion; build Thou the walls of Jerusalem. Amen!

In Christ Jesus beloved Fathers and Brethren!

Entrusted with a most sacred and highly responsible mission by the several parishes of the Honorable Synod here represented, yea, put in commission by God Himself and by His goodness brought together, we are now about to apply ourselves to the work so assigned. And work, laborious work, will we find it to be as we proceed and the days drag on and by. Nevertheless, if we keep in mind that the one object of all our deliberations is, the building up of the kingdom of God and His Christ, and moreover, that the great Masterbuilder, the good Lord Himself, will be present to guide and cheer us with His Spirit and gifts, then will all the pain of labor be turned into pleasure; and thus shall we find it a delight to apply ourselves to the royal work before us, each one devoting himself to it to the best of his powers, and, where opinions clash, exercising every kindly affection.

In the meantime, to rest and refresh the mind, we may look forward also to many an hour of pure and pleasurable recreation. In addition to the enjoyment derived from social gatherings, brotherly communion, and from the divine services that have been arranged for in the several churches, festivities of an unusual nature are held in reserve for us. Chief among these and of a sort to arouse the deepest interest, is the seventy-fifth anniversary of our Theological Seminary in this city. Opened on the 15th day of October, A. D. 1830, at Canton, Ohio, with Pastor WILLIAM SCHMIDT as professor, it was created a body corporate by a special act of our state legislature January 30, A. D. 1834. It is meet for us on this occasion to make honorable mention of the brethren who, in conjunction with others, established the seminary; and to this end I here append their names as these are given in the charter issued. These were the pastors: *Jacob Leist, Michael Steck, John Wagenhals, Charles Henkel;* and the lay: *Michael Neu, John Leist, Christian Heyl and Gustavus Swan.*

Amid many embarrassments, sore struggles and harrowing experiences, yet never forsaken of God but kindly protected and blessed by Him, our divinity school has attained to its present proportions. The story of her growth and activity is told in a booklet prepared to mark her present jubilee, as also in the history of the synod whose child and

handmaid she is. Both publications merit perusal in connection with the festival to be celebrated; and I hope that those among us who have not as yet done so will supply themselves with the books referred to.

The school, whose birth and life we commemorate, I love and honor in common with many of her sons as my Alma Mater; permit me therefore on this seasonable occasion to discharge a debt of gratitude that has been on my mind these many years past, and, I have reason to believe, on the minds of others also.

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By the terms of its constitution our Synod has been a purely Lutheran body ever since the day of its organization; nevertheless, during the first decades of its existence the confessional basis upon which the body had in good faith planted itself was neither wholly understood nor strictly lived up to in all its bearings, so that in reality rank unionism held sway. However, in the course of time a fuller comprehension of the truth made its way in the minds of some; and by patient teaching coupled with mild discipline the body finally extricated itself from the mazes of error it had unwittingly strayed into; and this, too, without permitting itself to be led into the opposite extremes of radicalism, whether in doctrine or in practice. As a result, our Synod stands forth to-day as a body representative of a pure and conservative Lutheranism; freedom and frankness of utterance, even on the part of the least of its members, characterize all its proceedings. "One is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren," such is the one great rule observed wherever we may meet to consult and to labor together.

Without controversy, by the grace of God, and of God alone, we are what we are; but He employs men to accomplish His purposes, and therefore the question: to whom among men are we debtors for the high praise accorded our Synod? I answer: before all others to the men that have served us in and in connection with the Seminary at this place; and, among these, to no one more — I opine — than to my beloved teacher

William Frederick Lehmann,

now sainted and crowned with heavenly glory. — A man richly endowed by nature in body, mind and soul with every coveted gift and grace, thoroughly and liberally educated, widely informed — a walking encyclopædia, we fondly called him — humanely kind and condescending withal, ever ready to render any service and hence entrusted and burdened with offices and labors of every description, but despite it all, always in good humor, modest and humble — in short, a man by talent, attainment and disposition available everywhere and in all things, his brethren most thoroughly so made use of him; and we, who are called to continue the work, now reap the fruits of his labors. Yea, up to this very day and hour his spirit may be said to live and move among us, exer-

cising a most beneficent influence; so that in very truth and so far as human traits are taken into consideration, the predominating characteristic of our Synod is the *Lehmannic* — and I pray to God that such it may remain.

Small has become the class of pupils that were permitted to sit at the feet of this venerable teacher; a few years hence, and the last of them shall have closed the book of this life and gone to his rest; but until the day that hour shall be tolled, let the name of Lehmann be held in grateful remembrance and in audible esteem by all that survive.

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The mind and mood of an educator impress themselves more or less upon the mentality and soul-life of the persons he educates. In these as in his alumni he may then be said to go out into the world, there to extend his influence upon his fellowmen, be it for their weal or for their woe. Proverbially, like priest, like people; and the truth underlying this saying implies, as our schools are such are our pupils likely to be — the pupils, note well, from which the membership first of our congregations and then of our Synod is recruited. If such is the case, and who would doubt it, then it follows that Christian education should constitute the very gist of all our synodical activity. Needful, and acceptable to our Lord, as it may be that ample provision be made for widows and orphans, for the aged and the poor, the sick and helpless, in short, for the distressed of every description, it must nevertheless be our first concern, since it is the highest and holiest committed to us as a synod, to establish and maintain schools for the education of Christian fathers and mothers, pastors and teachers. I here emphasize this fact, and would impress it upon the minds of such among our laity who are ever ready to come to the relief of the bodily afflicted, but who close their hearts and hands when called upon to support the church's institutions of learning. These last are the fostering source of all true charities; so that, were our schools to fall into decay, the charitable institutions built upon them must of necessity share in the collapse.

On every Lord's day and in all the parishes throughout the bounds of Synod, prayers and intercessions are uttered in behalf of the educational institutions under their auspices and care; year in and year out they commend them to the Lord whom they are to serve, fervently beseeching Him to "make them nurseries of useful knowledge and of Christian virtues and morals." Whether by design or without, a more concise and yet complete definition of what Christian schools are meant to be and should aim to accomplish, could not be given. Useful knowledge, Christian virtue — and which of these we are to make choice of as the chief thing, neither Scripture nor experience leave us in doubt; for it is written that "godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come." 1 Tim. 4, 8. See also 1 Cor., chapt. 12, and 13, 1-2.

As a matter of fact, in Christian culture knowledge and virtue

intertwine, like the woof and warp in some fine texture; nevertheless, they are distinguishable, — even separable, as may be seen in the training the secular school furnishes. And when distinguished, especially with a view of establishing some preferment between the two, then is the question of their comparative merit upon us, and a cleancut decision is imperatively called for. And right here let me say that whosoever would place knowledge above virtue, opposes himself to the plain will of God, as shown above; and more, such an one denies to the church-school its right of existence, inasmuch as godliness is the very lifeblood of the education given in our schools from the lowest grade on up to the highest, and beyond.

And since godly wisdom, or knowledge and virtue proportionately commingled, constitutes the very foundation stone of all our educational establishments and is their one great end and aim, then whence comes and whither must lead, the inordinate strain and press for knowledge, knowledge, and again for knowledge; and this, too, regardless of how the soul may fare? To commend itself to the people of our day and generation, it is only necessary for an institution to offer a most thorough course for the highest and widest intellectual attainment within the reach of man, and its success is assured — doubly assured, if the spoon and funnel are displayed as its badge or button. Smart little boys and accomplished little girls, fathers and mothers want their children to be; citizens of keen intellectuality and of useful handicraft is what the state is after; whilst in the churches nothing less than men of titled learning can answer the bill; and thus, whether for family, state or church, the school is expected to furnish the article. Vainglory, lust of power and suppression, money making, love of ease and pleasure, animate the minds of men and are become a common passion. This explains the cry for knowledge, which by the people of the world is blindly held to be a cure-all of every evil, a rectifier of every wrong, and a power creative of all that is worth having. Alas, that Christians have become distrustful of the true wisdom taught them 1 Tim. 6, 6–10, and are falling into these wordly ways of thinking!

True, schools are to be what their name implies, dispensaries of useful knowledge; but, as we have seen, to be Christian schools, they must first of all be nurseries of godly virtue; in other words, living instruments of instruction *and* of discipline; institutions, therefore, which, whatever other good purpose they may serve besides, shall nurture unto health and strength the man of God within every pupil placed in course.

To this the objection might be raised, as indeed it has been, that the making of Christians of men cannot be the legitimate end and aim of our schools, inasmuch as we have a right to assume that those attending them are already Christians; and moreover, that this must apply with special force to our seminaries, since only Christian young men offer themselves for the ministry or for service in our parish schools. But this is taking a very superficial view of the matter; for admitting that the assumption may be entirely correct, the conclusion drawn, or meant to be drawn, is most assuredly a false one and perniciously mis-

leading. The simple fact here is that, from his cradle to his grave the newborn man stands in need of constant caretaking and nurture; and this need neither the family nor the ministry can supply in adequate measure; and most emphatically not during the days and years the youth is placed in tutelage with masters and teachers. During this time of life, therefore, we must look to our schools to establish with grace and in grace the hearts of those entrusted to them for training; and with this end kept constantly in view, the word and truth of God must be given full sway as the one and only true educating power under heaven. "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." 2 Tim. 3, 16. Profitable for doctrine and — mark well — for reproof, etc.; and it should be applied accordingly; that is to say, as a book of instruction and as a means of grace. When and where this is done, then and there have we Christian schools worthy of the name, let their grade be otherwise classified as high or as low.

Little if any extra time is required to effect both, instruction and education by one and the same act. To accomplish this, it is but necessary that the teacher, whilst imparting knowledge, impress upon the minds of the scholars the lessons involved in the facts and truths he sets forth — always presupposing, that the instructor is himself a godly man, intent upon edifying, and fully aware of his responsibility.

From this it is evident that, unless the divine truth contained in or underlying the lore acquired be turned into life within the souls of those that are taught, all teaching and learning are a waste of time and effort. Spiritual edification is the prime object of the Bible and of the Catechism in the instruction given at church and in school; the strengthening and safeguarding of faith is the prime object of dogmatics, symbolics, catechetics, and of other such studies in our seminaries; a purer, stronger and more active love is the prime object of ethics, homiletics, and the like — and schools failing to serve these ends had better be closed.

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In writing the foregoing paragraph, I have endeavored to keep in view church-schools of all grades; since in my opinion the differences existing between congregational schools, Sunday-Schools, Christian academies, normals, colleges, and theological seminaries, are ultimately differences only in degree. I have expressed myself on Christian education in general; and not to pass criticism upon existing institutions, high or low. In proof that this last is not the case, I would here state that I have publicly given utterances to the opinions advanced above in years long past, at one time when the present building at Woodville was dedicated, and at another when a brother was installed as theological professor at Hickory, N. C. Howbeit, I shall rejoice if anything I have said proves itself of use to one or the other of our pastors and teachers.

And now may the Lord our God take into His loving care all

our schools and institutions, increase them in number and in efficiency as nurseries of useful knowledge and of Christian virtues and morals. Amen!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

A. Our Educational Institutions.

1. To the several items brought to your attention by the Boards supervising our schools, I have none other to add. Whatever I may have to say on the subjects presented, I reserve for the time these shall be taken up for discussion.

2. An excellent faculty has been secured for the reopening of our Normal at Woodville. The men and the cause have a just claim upon the co-operation of every member of the Synod they serve; supporting it with our prayers, let us further the work each one as best he can.

3. Three Districts, the Washington and Oregon, the Kansas and Nebraska, and the Wisconsin, request your Honorable Body to take into favorable consideration the establishment in their midst of schools auxiliary to our existing institutions. Whereas I have in part suggested this movement, I herewith indorse the petitions. My reasons, briefly stated, are: first, these outlying districts should and would furnish candidates for service in both our schools and churches; but, secondly, parents cannot be expected to send their sons and daughters, while these are in their early teens, hundreds or thousands of miles away from home to attend the schools of Synod as these are now located; and lastly, the expense of opening up and maintaining the schools asked for, need not be great. Modest beginnings would suffice for the present; their future may be prayerfully left to the Lord.

B. Institutions of Beneficence.

1. *Orphans' Homes.* In our endeavor to solve the problems this subject gives rise to, it is my opinion that we should be guided by the following principles, and then enforce such rules as may be required to reduce them to practice.

First by virtue of their baptism the children in our congregations have to all intents and purposes become the wards of these congregations; hence it is the bounden duty of the latter to see to it that, when orphaned, such children be well cared for. Secondly, since the family is the divinely appointed nursery for the child, in families our orphans should be placed. Hence, thirdly, the rule: when a child is deprived of parental care, the congregation where it belongs should put forth every effort to have it entered as a member of some family in its midst; failing in this, the child may be sent to one or the other of our orphanages, with the expressed understanding and request, however, that the latter find a home for it in some Christian family at the earliest possible opportunity. Adopting and rigidly enforcing these rules, I believe that our orphans' home questions will in the course of time work out their own

solution. What we do need as a Synod, and even more than homes for healthy children, is, an asylum for such unfortunates among the children of our Church, as can not be housed with families.

As regards the erection of a new building at Richmond, or the reconstruction of the old, my advice is that we make haste slowly.

2. *Board of Aids.* The majority of our districts favor the retention of our present system, at least in its essentials. However, in view of the confused ideas extant about it, the subject should be thoroughly ventilated, and the plan improved wherever and as best it can be.

C. Missions.

1. *Home.* Never before in the history of Synod have appeals for men and means been so many and so pressing as they were during the past two years; and great advances have been made in this branch of our work. The needs of the hour call for special effort; let us look to the Lord of the harvest, confident that He will strengthen our hands to do His pleasure.

2. *Foreign.* I here append a translation of the action taken by "Hermannsburg" in response to the wishes expressed by your Honorable Body two years ago, to the effect that some steps might be taken looking to the establishment of foreign mission work under our own supervision.

"*a.* The Executive Committee expresses its joy at the action taken "by the Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States, and whereby said body "has declared itself willing to continue its support of the Hermannsburg "Mission.

"*b.* The Hermannsburg Board of Supervision declares itself willing "to surrender (überlassen) to the Ohio Synod certain stations in some "sphere admitting of extension, and where the latter body may carry on "mission work of its own. As regards a prospective branching off "(of "such stations for independent work)" the missionary executive cannot "at present make any binding promises; in case the Ohio Synod should "in time to come desire to carry on the work independently, the terms of "surrender must be left to the future.

"*c.* The management of the stations in question, and the disposi-"tion of the moneys sent in by the Ohio Synod, remain in the hands of "the Hermannsburg Mission.

"*d.* The Hermannsburg Directory is ready annually to report to "the Ohio Synod on the state of things in said stations, and in the mission "field generally; as also to report to Synod any important measures and "resolutions the Directory may have passed.

"*e.* We are willing to grant representation to the Ohio Synod in "our Missionary Committee to the extent the terms of our constitution "admit thereof."

Explanatory notes accompany these propositions, and may be read pending their discussion.

Some of our brethren have expressed the wish, that the relation of Hermannsburg to the State Church be once more taken up for consideration; and I hope that their request will be granted.

A representative of Hermannsburg in the person of H. Harms missionary from India, is expected to attend this meeting. He will no doubt be welcome to all.

D. Finances.

1. Information on the financial condition of our Book Concern and of our Institution Treasury will be furnished you by the reports of Bro. Heer.

2. Following I beg leave to give a summary statement of interest-bearing funds, available, non-available, and prospective by last will and testament.

First. Towards three professorships in our Theological Seminary at this place, but not available as yet, approximately	$68,000 00
Funds to the same institution, paid, circa	2,400 00
Bequest to St. Paul Seminary, not yet paid in	10,000 00
Second. Scholarships to Capital University; in force, $36,000.00; subscribed, $24,800.00	60,800 00
Legacies to same institution: paid $15,384.96; unpaid, $9,036.00	24,420 96
For Beneficiaries, unpaid legacy	5,000 00
Third. Orphans' Home, paid and in hand	9,844 58
Fourth. To Board of Aids, paid $300.00; unpaid legacy $5,000.00	5,300 00
Fifth. To Home Mission, paid $3,447.66; unpaid legacies $15,000.00	18,447 66
Sixth. To Negro Missions, legacy, unpaid	5,000 00
Seventh. To Church Building Fund,* paid, $20,400.00; notes, $2,200.00	22,600 00
Eighth. To Foreign Mission, paid and in hand	3,172 66
Ninth. To Woodville Seminary Fund, in hand	1,000 00
Tenth. Annuities, in favor of Columbus Institution	5,500 00
Eleventh. By Last Wills and Testaments for the benefit of one or the other of our Institutions, and not included in the above, approximately	6,000 00
Twelfth. Real Estate, to Columbus Institution, valued at	14,000 00
Sum total	$261,485.80

* *Note.* — This does not include moneys in the hands of this treasury, and used by missions without interest.

The stress of circumstances here forces me to remark, that most all these sums have been collected by myself — not a few with much trouble and vexation; moreover, that by repeated travels, solicitations and appeals on my part, at least $175,000.00 of the above amounts are the result of personal effort; so that a doubt might arise, even in the minds of the "most of our congregations" and of "not a few of our pastors," whether the "time has come to do away with the presidency as now

ordered and thus money may be saved to establish another professorship in our theological seminary." Of the responsibilities connected with its financial features, and with the office as a whole, I prefer not to speak.

E. Miscellaneous Matters.

1. The committee appointed to enquire into the doctrinal position of pastors in South Australia, who had requested your Honorable Body for a pastor to labor in that remote field, finds that these brethren are one with us in the faith and in polity. After repeated calls returned, Rev. Hass of Wisconsin has consented to go, and is now on his way thither. The expense being considerable, permission has been asked to collect within our bounds towards defraying them; and I herewith submit the request for action.

2. The rules to govern our orphans' homes lie over for final action at this session.

3. Brother Kuhlmann has kindly agreed to compile the pocket liturgy to be published according to a resolution passed a year ago. However, the work cannot be completed, until certain questions pertaining to the text of forms now in vogue shall have been decided on by this Body.

4. Anent the subject last named and kindred matters, I would advise that your Honorable Body appoint a committee with full authority to revise, harmonize, and fix the wording of forms and texts in use among us, and as at present found in our catechisms, hymnals, and liturgies. In my opinion, the subject requires a closer study than can be given to it at a synodical session.

5. It having been officially declared at one of our Districts that "many, indeed it might be said, the most of our congregations, and at least some of our pastors are opposed" to the general presidency as a salaried office, and neither the committee to whom the matter was referred nor the District expressing a word of doubt or dissent by way of reply, I felt myself constrained then and there to declare, that I would not again be a candidate for re-election, in order that all personal elements might be eliminated from my defense of the office. While declining a renomination, I sincerely thank all the brethren that have favored me these past twelve years with their confidence and support.

With fraternal greetings,

C. H. L. Schuette.

Columbus, Ohio, August 23, A. D. 1906.

ORGANIZATION OF SYNOD.

After the opening of Synod by our Hon. President, C. H. L. Schuette, D. D., its organization was effected by the delegates presenting their credentials. The business of Synod was completed in 13 sessions, two of which were held in the evening. Some of the opening services were conducted in the English language. Rev. F. Werhahn acted as Chaplain.

OFFICERS OF SYNOD.

Rev. C. H. L. Schuette, D. D.....*President*
Rev. E. A. Boehme.....*Eastern Vice President*
Prof. H. Ernst, D. D.....*Western Vice President*
Rev. W. D. Ahl.....*German Secretary*
Rev. W. H. Price.....*English Secretary*
Mr. C. Nagel.....*Treasurer*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE.

The Preliminary Committee of the Ev. Luth. Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States, elected for this delegate body, met on the 21st of August, 1906, in the Trinity Lutheran congregation at Columbus, O. The session was opened by the Hon. President with a short liturgical service. The names of the delegates elected by the different District Synods are herewith given:

1. *Western District:* Revs. L. F. Mittler* and A. Popp; Teacher G. Conrad, Messrs. G. A. Hoffmann and Urias Trump.
2. *Eastern District:* Revs. E. A. Boehme and Otto Mees; Messrs. C. Ziess and Fred Snyder.
3. *Northern District:* Rev. J. M. Johanssen and A. G. Bergener; Messrs. Lienhart** and F. Goeckermann.
4. *Minnesota District:* Revs. G. Gehrke and Geo. Diemer; Mr. W. J. Pomplun.
5. *Wisconsin District:* Revs. F. Werhahn and Theo. Marth; Messrs. C. W. Rohe and G. A. Timmermann.
6. *Washington District:* Revs. W. Hohberger and H. Rieke**.
7. *Kansas and Nebraska District:* Revs. J. Schwerin and H. Hennigs; Mr. Fred. Middendorf.
8. *Texas District:* Dr. W. Steinmann.
9. *First English District:* Revs. L. H. Hurrelbrink and J. Beck; Messrs. A. E. Schlingmann and Chas. H. Eisenbach.
10. *Concordia District:* Revs. C. B. Gohdes and A. M. Pence; Messrs. Wm. Brake** and W. H. Waltjen.**

All reports and business of Synod were then presented by the Hon. President to different sub-committees for consideration and action. Before, however, their reports were presented to Synod, they were considered by the Preliminary Committee as a whole and adopted.

* Alternate to R. C. H. Lenski.
** Absent.

The sub-committees as appointed were:

I. *Educational Institutions:* Revs. L. F Mittler, W. Hohberger, J. Schwerin; Messrs. E. F. Lienhart, G. A. Hoffmann and G. A. Timmermann. *Advisory:* Revs. J. E. A. Doermann, Drs. F. W. Stellhorn and H. Ernst and Rev. J. Vollmar.

II. *Eleemosynary Institutions:* Revs. J. M. Johanssen H. Hennigs, A. Popp; Messrs. H. E. Schlingmann, F. Goeckermann and W. H. Waltjen. *Advisory:* Revs. G. Mochel, H. J. Schuh, M. R. Walter and Teacher G. Conrad.

III. *Missions:* Revs. E. A. Boehme, G. Gehrke, F. Werhahn; Messrs. W. H. Brake, F. Middendorf and W. J. Pomplun. *Advisory:* Dir. K. Hemminghaus, Dr. H. A. Allwardt, Revs. J. F. C. Soller, O. S. Oglesby.

IV. *Publication Matters:* Revs. Theo. Marth, J. Beck, Dr. W. Steinmann; Messrs. Fred Snyder and Chas. H. Eisenbach. *Advisory:* Prof. E. Pfeiffer, Revs. H. P. Dannecker and H. Eisenbach and Dr. L. H. Schuh.

V. *Finances:* Revs. A. G. Bergener, C. B. Gohdes, L. H. Hurrelbrink and A. M. Pence; Messrs. Urias Trump and C. Ziess. *Advisory:* Revs. M. C. Hecht, F. W. Gahre, J. Hoerr and Hon. J. Dobler.

VI. *Miscellaneous Matters:* Revs. A. W. Werder, Geo. Diemer and H. Rieke; Messrs. G. Zell and C. W. Rohe. *Advisorys* Revs. A. J. Feeger and P. Groschupf.

C. H. L. SCHUETTE, *President.*

WM. H. PRICE, *English Sec'y.*
W. D. AHL, *German Sec'y.*

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

THURSDAY.

Organization and Missions. (III Sub-Committee.)

FRIDAY.

Educational Institutions. (I Sub-Committee.)

SATURDAY.

Eleemosynary Institutions. (II Sub-Committee.)

MONDAY.

Finances. (V Sub-Committee.)

TUESDAY.

Publication Matters. (IV Sub-Committee.)

WEDNESDAY.

Miscellaneous Matters. (VI Sub-Committee.) Liturgical Matters and Varia.

Resolved, That Synod shall not deviate from this Order of Business unless demanded by three-fourths of the members present.

Resolved, That no one speak more than twice on the same subject, nor more than five minutes at one time.

According to the By-laws of Synod, the election of officers of Synod takes place Tuesday morning from 8 to 12.

PROCEEDINGS OF SYNOD.

Reports of the Different Boards, Treasurers, Committee Reports, Proceedings, and Resolutions Respecting the Same.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, COLUMBUS, O.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

To the Honorable Ev. Luth. Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

VENERABLE AND BELOVED BRETHREN: — It is with great pleasure that your Board presents to your honorable body its biennial report concerning its work and the beneficent achievement of our seminary.

By the grace of God our beloved professors labored with diligence, fidelity and success in the various departments assigned them. Also our highly esteemed Dr. Loy felt strong enough to deliver several lectures to our students during the first term of 1904.

In the school year of 1904-05 there were 33 students, and in the past year of 1905-06 there were 35. Altogether 20 young men graduated from our Seminary in these two years, 5 in the first year and 15 in the last.

Two extra and four regular sessions were held by your Board. At the first regular meeting it became apparent, that the newly elected members of the Board had not been officially notified of their election, and that some of them remained ignorant thereof until the secretary of the Board advised them of their election shortly before the first meeting of the Board. We, therefore, beg your honorable body to give instruction, that in the future all newly elected members of the different boards of our Synod be notified in writing of their election by the secretary of Joint Synod. At this meeting Mr. C. F. Meyer, Columbus, Ohio, was re-elected as member of the Board of Trustees of Capital University. At the regular meeting of December 5, 1905, Mr. J. J. Schwartz, Columbus, Ohio, was likewise re-elected to the same office.

During the extra session, March 7, 1905, your Board was officially notified of the demise of its honored member, Rev. E. G. Tressel, who for a number of years had rendered faithful service as a member of the Board. The vacancy thus caused was later on filled by the election of Rev. A. H. Dornbirer.

To commemorate the 75th anniversary of our school of prophets the Board resolved to issue a brief history of our Seminary in pamphlet form. Upon request Dr. G. H. Schodde consented to undertake the work, and he also finished it with his wonted diligence.

The seminary library was repeatedly the subject of earnest deliberations. We trust that by the jubilee collections, raised for our library, sufficient funds will be secured to ensure its greater efficiency for the future.

Finally the attention of your honorable body is called to the fact that the term of office of the following members of the Board is now expired: the Revs. Dr. M. Loy, Dr. E. Cronenwett, A. H. Dornbirer and L. H. Burry.

With gratitude to God, whose mercies were new every morning also towards our seminary during the past two years, we remain,

With great respect, your servants,

E. A. Boehme, *Pres.*
E. H. D. Winterhoff, *Secy.*

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE.

Your committee has examined the printed and written reports of our educational institutions and begs leave to recommend the following:

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

1. In consensus with a request of the board of the Seminary we recommend that Synod instruct its secretaries to inform all newly elected members of boards in writing of their election.

2. We sanction the action of the Board of Directors pertaining to the election of Rev. A. H. Dornbirer.

3. The brief history of our Seminary, written by Dr. G. H. Schodde, meets our unqualified approval.

4. We trust that by the Jubilee collections raised for our library sufficient funds will be raised to insure its greater efficiency for the future.

5. The Western District requests Synod to consider the matter of uniting the office of the general president with that of a theological professorship.

In conformity with resolutions of nearly all other districts, we recommend and move that the office of the general president remain as it now is.

The above report was adopted without change as presented by the committee.

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, O.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, CAPITAL UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

To the Honorable Ev. Luth. Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

DEAR BRETHREN: — With gratitude to God who has so graciously preserved and blessed our Institution again during the past two years, we herewith submit our report to your honorable body.

I. Professors.

Our professors, in general, have enjoyed good health and have been enabled without interruption, to carry on their work, with the exception of our venerable Dr. M. Loy, who is still incapacitated for work, though even he, to our great joy, has been enabled to deliver a lecture to our students now and then. Rev. J. C. Schacht, pastor of Christ Church in the immediate vicinity of the Institution, who has several classes in our Institution, lay sick with a fever, but by the help of God he has again been fully restored. In this connection I might be allowed also to call attention to the departure of the former President of our Board, the Rev. E. G. Tressel, whom God called, between Christmas and New Years, 1904-1905, to his heavenly rest.

Prof. K. Hemminghaus, who for 18 years so acceptably served our Institution as "Professor of Latin and History," accepted a second, urgent call as Director of the Teachers' Seminary, Woodville, Ohio, and the Rev. R. V. Schmitt, of Marion, Ind., was called to the vacant chair with the title of "Professor of the Classical Languages and History." He will enter upon his duties, September next. Prof. E. Pfeiffer, who had also received a call from Grace Church, Columbus, declined the same, at our advice and request.

Resolved, That we fix the salary of the Professor of Classical Languages [Schmitt] and History at $800 per annum the first year, $900 the second year, and $1,000 the third year, subject to any change of Joint Synod, and that we petition Joint Synod to authorize an increase of the salaries of other professors according to time of service.

II. Students.

Since the last synodical convention the number of our students has steadily increased, so that for the last scholastic year, including the seminary and preparatory departments, we are able to report 163 students in attendance; some of these however will enter the ministry and others will drop out from time to time, so that there will still be room; and our President, as also the brethren generally must seek to

gain new students. In general, the students have enjoyed good health, but there have been cases of sickness also. Now and then, there were individual cases that called for severe discipline, but the conduct of the students generally was satisfactory.

III. President and Housefather.

In the course of time, guided by our experience, we have come to the conclusion that one and the same man cannot at the same time fulfill the duties of the presidency and the housefathership, as we had arranged, and that justice may be done to our President and in the interest of discipline among the students, we would propose to your honorable body the following:

a. That your honorable body authorize us to separate the office of house-father from that of president, and that you propose to us for adoption some other, better arrangement, and

b. That in the interest of discipline all pastors and congregations be requested by your honorable body to dismiss their students to one or the other of our congregations at Columbus, or at least to put them under the supervision of the respective pastors there.

In this connection allow us to declare to the brethren, that we cannot exercise the same supervision over students rooming outside our Institution as we can over those who are under our own roof.

IV. Degrees.

In the year 1905 three students who graduated in our Institution, and a former student, who discontinued his studies here on account of sickness and took another year's course in the University of Colorado, were granted the degree of A. B.; and in 1906, 14 received the degree of A. B., and one that of B. Sc. Professor-elect, the Rev. R. V. Schmitt, A. B., and Rev. J. Mittermaier of Mapleton, Minn., who had submitted work to the Faculty for examination, and who were recommended for the grade by the Faculty, received the degree of A. M., in recognition of their acquirements and their work.

V. Improvements in the Course.

When possible we would always improve our course. At our recent meeting the Board appointed a committee to suggest and carry out improvements looking to the elevation of our English course.

Instructions in oratory are now given at our Institution also, by Prof. Fox of the Columbus School of Oratory.

Arrangements have also been made whereby students so desiring, may receive instructions in music, stenography and type-writing.

Exercise in the gymnasium is made obligatory upon all students.

VI. Auditorium and Gymnasium.

Finally, by the grace of God, the faithful labors of the President of our Institution, Dr. Schuh, have been crowned with success; a well

arranged building—an auditorium and gymnasium—has been erected; and what an advantage it has been to us, was seen on different occasions, especially at the commencement exercises of this year. Even a good pipe organ, the gift of a former student, Rev. G. A. Bierdemann, D. D., has been installed. Although there is still room for the completion or installation of various desirable accessories, the building itself as it is, serves its purpose. By the time Synod will be convened it is expected that the subscriptions will have been collected and the cost all paid.

VII. Finances.

Assistant Treasurer, Prof. G. Kfl Leonard, will report concerning the finances of the Institution and will indicate the sum it will be necessary for your honorable body to appropriate for the next two years.

Under this head the Board would respectfully petition your honorable body to authorize an increase of the salaries of professors, according to their time of service.

VIII. Miscellaneous.

a. An arrangement has been made by the Board, whereby young students may be received into the preparatory department after their confirmation, after the Easter vacation, and may have a sort of trial. No charges will be made for tuition or room rent during the time. It is hoped thus to gain students and to prepare them for entrance into their respective classes, in September following.

b. The worthy President of the Institution has been successful in some cases, in interesting people of means in our work to the extent that they agree to undertake the support of some indigent student. Perhaps others may be found who will do likewise.

c. We would also call the attention of your honorable body to a rule according to which, strictly construed, a professor can be elected only by a three-fourths vote of *all members of the Board*, which rule may make an election impossible at times; for it is seldom that every member of the Board is present. We would request your honorable body to so change the rule, as to make it say that three-fourths *of the members of the Board must be present*, and three-fourths *of those present*, shall be necessary for an election.

"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee." Ps. 122, 6.

E. Cronenwett, *President.*
L. H. Burry, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE.

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

1. That our professors have, in general, enjoyed good health and have been able to carry on their work without inter-

ruption is a sign of God's blessing, for which we are duly thankful.

We rejoice especially to learn that our venerable Dr. M. Loy was able to deliver a lecture to our students now and then. May God also in the future be his shield and strength.

That Rev. J. C. Schacht, of the Seminary church, has recovered from a severe attack of fever fills our heart with gratitude to God, who delivers us from evil.

2. We rejoice that the University was successful in securing Rev. R. V. Schmitt as successor to Prof. K. Hemminghaus. The new professor will soon enter upon his duties as teacher of the classical languages.

3. We are glad to note the fact that the number of students in all departments of Capital University was 163, which is a decided increase over that of former years.

4. *Resolved,* That also in future one and the same person fulfill the duties of the presidency and housefathership, but in such a way, that the field-work be restricted.

Be it furthermore Resolved, That all of our pastors and teachers assist the President in soliciting for new students.

5. *Resolved,* That in the interest of discipline all pastors and congregations be requested by Synod to dismiss their students to one or the other of our congregations in Columbus, or at least to put them under the supervision of the respective pastors there.

6. We rejoice that some of our brethren found time for and delight in literary work. May their M. A. degree spurn them on to renewed and conscientious study.

7. We are glad to learn that the Board appointed a committee to carry out improvements looking to the elevation of our English course.

We regret that existing conditions have made it necessary to limit the German language as a medium of instruction to catechism, Biblical history, sacred history and universal history. We desire that our students be given greater opportunities in the practical use of the German language.

8. *Auditorium.* We rejoice that by the grace of God and faithful labor of the President a well arranged auditorium has been erected, free of debt, and in compliance with the instructions

of Synod. A vote of thanks is herewith given to Rev. G. A. Bierdemann, D. D., for the gift of a good pipe organ.

9. We approve of the new arrangement made by the Board pertaining to the tuition of new students after Easter vacation, and move that the same privilege be given new students in all of our educational institutions.

10. We rejoice that the President has been successful in interesting some well-to-do people to support a few indigent students, not only in part, but entirely. May their example influence others to do likewise.

11. We recommend that the rule regulating the election of professors be changed as desired by the Board.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Items 1-3 *adopted.*

Item 4. Regarding this item it was suggested that perhaps the best arrangement that could be made would be to unite the housefathership with that of the duties of the pastor of Christ church. To this it was replied, that such a union would be incompatible with all discipline, as this would destroy the influence of a pastor if he were to exercise the discipline necessary in an institution.

Respecting the real point at issue, it was stated that the duties of a housefather is a stupendous task when we consider the different ages of students and that it requires of him that he should be constantly at the institution. This, of course, would leave little time for field work to a man acting as President at the same time.

To this it was replied, that the intention of the resolution of Synod six years ago, was to emphasize the duties of the housefathership. This does not exclude him from making occasional trips to advertise our institution and to secure students. Nor should it be overlooked that the present arrangement in many Districts of a beneficiary system is very helpful in securing students. The duties of a President in our institution are not the same as in other public institutions, since all our pastors are agents in securing students. The only normal condition is that the presidency and housefathership should be united in the same

person, who is to exercise supervision over the faculty as well as the students. *Item* 4 *adopted.*

Item 5 *adopted.* It was resolved that the institution be held to carry out this resolution faithfully.

Items 6 *and* 7 *adopted.* To item 7, the explanation was given, that the importance of the German language has always been emphasized by the Board and faculty.

Items 8-10 *adopted.*

Item 11 *was lost.*

LUTHER SEMINARY, ST. PAUL, MINN.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LUTHER SEMINARY, ST. PAUL, MINN.

In the name of the Board of our Luther Seminary at St. Paul, Minn., the undersigned begs leave to submit the following report:

By the grace of God, which is every morning new, His work among us during the past two years enjoyed His blessing, so that this Institution was able to serve the purpose for which it was established. The vacancy, caused by the death of Prof. W. Witte, has been filled by calling in his place Rev. W. Fiebke.

By calling Rev. H. Doermann as second theological professor, a long-felt want has been supplied. Both men have already familiarized themselves with their work and have fully justified the confidence placed in them.

We humbly thank God that also during the past two years He has blessed our older professors, H. Ernst, D. D., and W. Schmidt, with health so that they were enabled to perform their work with their usual vigor.

The number of students in our Institution has been increased considerably during the last two years. From 1904-1905 the total number was 59; of these six entered the ministry after having passed a creditable examination. During the year 1905-1906 the total number of students was 61, seven of whom were permitted to enter the ministry. The spirit and deportment of the students in general were satisfactory, likewise the state of their health, with the exception of a few cases of slight indisposition.

Caused by the rapid growth and the vast expansion of our field in the West, especially in the last two years, quite a number of students had to be sent into different congregations and mission fields as temporary supplies.

While on the one hand we are bound to gratefully acknowledge the willingness of the students to render assistance, we on the other hand regret the injury accruing to the students from an interruption of their studies. We therefore recommend that every case calling for a temporary supply be carefully examined by the faculty, and that the desired help be granted only after the necessity of the same has been established.

The need of a professor's dwelling near the institution is felt more and more. But since the sum appropriated for that purpose is not sufficient to erect a suitable building, we ask the honorable Synod to increase the appropriation for this purpose.

We also request the honorable Synod to reconsider the resolution of 1904, according to which Prof. H. Doermann is to be both professor and missionary, and to regulate the salary question accordingly.

Being convinced that it is difficult for some of the professors to live on the salary which they are receiving at present, we recommend that the salary list be revised.

The necessary repairs were made, and the institution accordingly is in a good condition.

Finally, we desire to call the attention of the Synod to the fact that the time of service of Rev. H. Eisenbach and of Messrs. Burkhardt and Wier has expired.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE DIEMER, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE.

1. We rejoice to learn from the written report of the Secretary of the Luther Seminary Board, that the vacancy in the faculty of Luther Seminary has been filled by calling Prof. Fiebke, and that a new theological professor has been gained in the person of Prof. Dörmann.

2. We rejoice that by the blessing of God the Seminary has increased in number of students and prospered.

3. We regret that the Secretary sent in his report too late for publication. We would herewith remind the secretaries of all boards that it is their duty to submit their reports, both in English and German, and to send them in to the General President four weeks prior to the convention of Joint Synod.

This report was adopted as submitted by the Preliminary Committee.

NORMAL SCHOOL, WOODVILLE, O.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF THE TEACHERS' SEMINARY, WOODVILLE, OHIO.

To the Honorable Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

In submitting this report, the undersigned, President of the Board of our Teachers' Seminary at Woodville, Ohio, feels that at this particular time there is special reason for rejoicing and thanksgiving. Our institution has passed through a prolonged season of discouragement and sore trial, but the Lord has in mercy finally filled our mouth with laughter and our tongue with singing.

During the past two years your Board held 18 sessions. September 6, 1904, an organization was effected as follows: Chairman, Pastor J. Vollmar; Secretary, Teacher J. Stumpf; Treasurer, Prof. Theiss.

Whereas Joint Synod at its meeting at Fremont, Ohio, (1904), resolved, that if under existing circumstances the Faculty and the Board should deem it advisable to discontinue work at the institution for the time being and to employ the instructors in some other field, this action would be ratified: at the earnest request of the newly elected Director, Pastor A. H. Dornbirer, and because your Board considered it absolutely impossible to operate the school without a Director in charge, the four remaining students were provided for at our Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, and the doors of the Woodville Seminary were temporarily closed.

Little did we think that this would mean an interim of two years, and no one in Synod laments this fact more than the Board. That Pastor Dornbirer eventually saw fit to decline the call to the directorship, and that a second call extended to him also proved of none effect, are facts well known to you all. After consuming a whole year in issuing various calls which were invariably returned to us, your Board finally succeeded in securing a Director in the person of Prof. K. Hemminghaus of Columbus, Ohio, in whom we have full confidence that under his wise leadership our Teachers' Seminary will again flourish.

Since, however, the Board of the Capital University resolved to grant Prof. Hemminghaus a peaceable dismissal only on the condition that he continue his work at the University until the close of the school year 1905-06, it was impossible for us to open the Teachers' Seminary September 1, 1905, or even January 1, 1906.

In addition to the difficulties experienced in filling the directorship, we were called upon to act on the resignation of Profs. Theiss and Gauff. These resignations were handed in September 24, 1904 and after careful deliberation were accepted by the Board October 19, 1904.

The Board considers itself fortunate in securing Teacher O. Trapp, of Detroit, Mich., as Professor of Music, and Prof. C. Robinson, of Hilliards, Ohio, as Professor of Mathematics and Sciences. Both gentlemen are ready to begin work with the new school year. Now that our Seminary is about to be reopened, may the Lord move the hearts of many young people to enter the institution, and may He grant unto our professors strong faith and abundant courage in their difficult work.

A number of improvements and repairs on the Seminary property have been made. In order the better to accommodate the Director and his family, we have added a study to the Director's home and installed a hot-air furnace. New floors have been laid in the halls and auditorium of the Seminary building; the woodwork has been painted; the outside stairways and sidewalks have been replaced by new ones; the boiler of the heating plant has been thoroughly repaired, etc. The Treasurer's report, enclosed herewith, will show the cost of repairs.

During the past two years the Board suffered the loss of one member by death, namely Mr. C. Sanders of Gibsonburg, Ohio. Rev. H. Sutter, Galion, Ohio, resigned on account of sickness in his family. Teacher J. Stumpf, Ft. Wayne, Ind., also resigned. With the approval of the honorable president of Joint Synod, the Board elected Mr. H. Fuhrmeyer, of Gibsonburg, Ohio, Rev. P. Langendorff, of Woodville, Ohio, and Teacher C. Schaub, of Sandusky, Ohio, to fill these vacancies until Synod shall have made proper provision. Attention is also called to the fact that Rev. J. Vollmar's term of office has expired, as also that of Rev. D. Ebert.

Your Board would ask Synod to take action on the following important items:—

1. Whereas there is an imperative need of at least two or three pianos and one or two organs at our Seminary, the Board urgently requests Synod to make a special appropriation for the purchase of said instruments.

2. We renew the recommendation, that Synod assume the indebtedness of $5,800.00 still resting upon the Seminary building. Synod, we think, has heeded the requests of our other institutions along this line, and we can see no reason why the Woodville Seminary should not receive the same treatment.

3. We recommend that the salary of the Director be raised to $1,200.00, and that of the two professors to $1,000.00 each. Conditions have largely changed, since the original salaries were fixed. We have called our new professors away from positions paying a better salary than we are offering. Certainly Synod should not expect our men to make this sacrifice. Moreover, we encourage our congregations not to be meager but rather liberal in the support of their pastors and teachers, should not the Joint Synod set the good example and support its professors according to their needs?

4. We earnestly recommend the establishment of a fourth professorship at Woodville. The demands made upon our instructors today are more exacting than ever. It is the aim of our Seminary to furnish a

scientific education, equal to that of an ordinary city high school and to keep pace with the Normal school in pedagogical training. It is well nigh impossible for three instructors to do justice to this enormous work; hence this request for a fourth professor, if our Seminary is to flourish.

5. Your Board asks for a decision of the question, whether it would not be advisable to change the English name of our institution to "Normal School," retaining the name in German as heretofore.

6. Your Board would respectfully ask Synod to instruct the Hon. Treasurer of Joint Synod to pay to the Teachers' Seminary $100.00 to be applied to the Library. This sum was voted by Synod for this purpose, but not paid during the last two years.

May the Lord whom our institution has served in the past and whose work it will perform in the future be merciful unto us and bless our Seminary unto the well-being of many generations of young Lutherans to come. May He lead our Lutheran parents, pastors and teachers to understand the necessity of a truly Christian education for their children and to act in accordance therewith.

In conclusion may God's choicest blessing rest upon the deliberations of this meeting of Synod.

By authority of the Seminary Board,

Respectfully submitted,

J. VOLLMAR, *President.*

W. A. TRAPP, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE.

1. With gratitude toward God we learn that an excellent faculty has been secured for our Normal School at Woodville. May God keep the members of the same in unity of spirit, to the welfare of His Church and the glory of His name.

2. We approve the repairs made on the Seminary property and Director's home.

3. We move that Synod assume the indebtedness of $5,800 still resting upon the Seminary building.

4. Providing that the Board will a year hence find it an imperative necessity, it may in conjunction with the General President call a fourth teacher.

5. *Resolved,* To change the English name of our institution to "Normal School," retaining the name in German as heretofore.

6. *Resolved,* To instruct the Honorable Treasurer of Joint Synod to pay the Normal School $100 due its library.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Items 1 *and* 2 *adopted.*

For *item* 3 the following substitute was offered and adopted: *Resolved,* That the debt remain in the hands of the Woodville Board and that they be given the privilege of collecting in our congregations to defray this indebtedness.

Items 4-6 *adopted.*

ST. PAUL'S ACADEMY, HICKORY, N. C.

REPORT OF THE BOARD.

To the Honorable Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

At the last meeting of Joint Synod, your Board was instructed to sell the property we have at Hickory. Accordingly we placed the property in the hands of a real estate agent who has advertised it for sale. As yet, no one has offered what we consider the property worth.

During these two years we have continued the Academy with an attendance of 37. Fourteen of these were from churches of our own Synod. The age of the scholars ranges from 13 to 18 years.

We have had the assurance of a much better attendance if we could have promised that the school would be continued permanently. But this we could not do, as the property was offered for sale and we did not know but that we might have to close the school any time. Young men did not want to begin a course with such uncertainty staring them in the face. Neither could our brethren in the ministry encourage parents to send their boys to a school which was known to be only a temporary affair. Consequently the school received no assistance from our own ministers.

In view of this discouraging situation, we consider the attendance for the past two years as good as could have been expected.

In the meantime, since the last meeting of Synod, a great change has taken place in the South, especially in the Piedmont region where our charges are located.

Northern capitalists have located in North Carolina. Large cotton mills dot the whole district. Furniture factories and others are drawing people to the towns. Instead of our people emigrating elsewhere in search of work, there is an immigration to our Southern country.

Cotton and other products are bringing three and four times the prices they did five years ago.

In consequence there is everywhere a revival of industry. Many towns have doubled within the last few years.

Hickory to-day is comparatively a new town.

Our church has an opportunity in the South as she has never had before.

Other Synods realize the new situation and have entered the field and taken up the work with an energy and push in harmony with the spirit of enterprise everywhere manifest.

The question with us just now is, shall we abandon the field to others, or shall we go to work with renewed energy for the preservation and extension of our Church in the South?

This question will be determined by the action of Joint Synod with

reference to our school at Hickory; therein rests our life or death in the South.

Our only hope of supplying the field is by educating our Southern boys for the ministry as we did in the past.

In view of the new situation springing up in the South and the present opportunities for our Church, your Board most earnestly petitions Joint Synod TO RE-OPEN THE SEMINARY AT HICKORY AND TO CONTINUE THE ACADEMY AS BEFORE.

Respectfully,

J. H. W. HOERR, *President.*
J. M. SENTER, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE.

We move that the request of the Board be granted and the Seminary be reopened.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

The committee's report was amended to read: *Resolved,* That the Concordia District, in conjunction with the General President, be authorized to reopen the Seminary at Hickory, N. C.

Synod was moved to take this step inasmuch as conditions have greatly changed since this Seminary was closed. There is prosperity on all sides, new industries and factories are springing up everywhere. Other Synods are cognizant of the opportunities offered here and if this field is not to be lost to us, then no time must be lost in preparing ourselves for more thorough and progressive work in the South. The best means to this end is to reopen the Seminary. This should be done with the intention of making it permanent and not in a half-hearted way.

Following discussion, the amended motion was adopted.

OTHER INSTITUTIONS OF LEARNING.

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE.

We recommend that Synod establish an institution of learning in the Washington District, and thus make a beginning in granting the petitions of three District Synods.

We believe that the Washington District needs the school most of all on account of the great distance from the Synodical center and especially on account of the rivalry caused by other Lutheran bodies in the same field. We recommend that $2,000.00 be appropriated for this purpose.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

This subject evoked a lengthy discussion. It was claimed that the very existence of the Washington District depends upon such action, if we are not eventually to lose the field. The great distance of our Washington District from our present institutions of learning makes this imperative. Experience has clearly proved that pastors coming from the East will eventually return to their former homes, so that it becomes necessary to secure young men whose homes are in the West if the work is to be prosecuted with success. Moreover, it is next to impossible to persuade young men to come East to our institutions of learning and parents are loath to give their consent to this step. The fact that in the past 20 years we have secured only one student from the Washington District for Columbus and three for St. Paul, proves this. It was further claimed that such an institution would increase and stimulate an interest in our people for synodical work, and as a consequence, greatly increase their contributions, so that Synod would not be greatly burdened by this step.

As it was not yet clear what the character of this institution should be, whether an Academy or a Practical Seminary, the matter was referred to the Washington District for further discussion and the following resolution was adopted: *Resolved*, That this matter be placed in the hands of the Washington District and the General President, and that we declare ourselves ready to appropriate $2,000.00 for this purpose.

WERNLE ORPHANS' HOME, RICHMOND, IND.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF THE WERNLE ORPHANS' HOME

The Board of the Wernle Orphans' Home herewith respectfully submits to the honorable Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States the following report of the past two years.

We begin this report with the words of the prophet: "It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness." For God's goodness and faithfulness, His almighty protection and blessing has again ruled over our Orphans' Home, has protected us against fire, storm, and other great harm and misfortune, and has bountifully provided for our great and manifold needs through the benevolence of our Christians; and if the Lord should ask us to-day: "Lacked ye any thing?" we would have to answer: "Lord, nothing." For this praise and thanksgiving be to Him!

Of course, various cares and visitations were not wanting. Already two years ago we had to report to your honorable synod, that the position of housefather in our institution was vacant. To fill this position calls had to be sent repeatedly. Finally Rev. Mohrhoff accepted our vocation, and on the 1st of February, 1905, entered upon the duties of his office. However, already in the month of May of the same year, he asked to be dismissed, since the nervous condition of his wife could not endure the life in a public institution. We granted his request. Now our faithful God gave us a supply for this position, which it was so difficult to fill, in the person of Rev. A. Klopfer and wife. Our Orphans' Home is now well provided for. They conduct their office with great aptness and commendable faithfulness; and our orphan children receive from them a parental love that is consecrated and sanctified by faith. They were installed in their office on September 3, 1905, by the undersigned, assisted by Rev. J. Beck.

We have now 62 orphans, 30 boys and 32 girls. The number from the different states is as follows: Ohio, 44, Indiana 7, Illinois 2, Wisconsin 4, Iowa 3, Minnesota 1, Pennsylvania 1. Of these, 18 are full orphans, and 40 half orphans, and of 4 both parents are living. In the last two years 30 children were received; 7 were given back to relatives, and 2 died. Fourteen are employed outside of the home. Since the founding of the institution 439 children were received. Two of our orphan boys, Arthur Behrens and Martin Kuehn, are studying in Columbus; the former is a sophomore, but at the opening of our teachers' seminary in Woodville, he expects to enter there; the latter is in the preparatory department and intends to study theology. At present the personnel of the Orphans' Home is 73 in number.

The health condition of the institution was, thanks to God, generally good. As already stated above, two deaths occurred. Anna Hawk, 18 years old, died March 30, 1906, of consumption; and on June 21, 1906, Herbert Mott died of inflammation of the bowels. Also Minna Hawk had to be operated upon twice on account of abscess on her arm, and as a result of that was confined to the hospital at Richmond for a period of 40 days. We also felt constrained to send Willie Erdmann, 5 years of age, who is afflicted with epilepsy, to the institution for epileptics at Gallipolis, Ohio. According to last reports he is improving, and there is hope of a complete recovery. May God grant it!

Our school suffered a deplorable loss through the resignation of teacher Wiechert. The resignation was tendered me on July 15, 1906. As yet no steps have been taken to fill this vacancy. We succeeded in securing a second teacher, Martha Hennings, who successfully fills the position of teacher in the second class, and she also devotes herself to the children in the evening during study hours. During its last session, the Joint Synod, indeed, resolved that the housefather should give a part of the instruction in the school, but the board very soon discovered that this resolution could not be practically carried out. We hope, therefore, that your honorable Synod will approve the calling of this second teacher. Fifty children attend the school. Of these 32 are in the upper, and 18 in the lower class. Four of these are from the outside. The school house was also newly painted, and was provided with new seats, blackboards, and other school utensils. The debt on the school building has been reduced to $200.00.

Also during the past two years various repairs had to be made in the home building, and with more or less expense, we have remedied the worst conditions; but now we feel constrained to come before your honorable Synod with a petition for a new building. The Synod will recognize the great necessity of carrying this project into effect very soon, by considering the following. As is well known this institution was erected already in the year 1852, and as may well be expected, everywhere traces of age and collapse begin to appear. Already 6 years ago we were obliged to place a number of iron pillars in the basement, in order to support the floors of the upper stories, which were beginning to give way. Likewise the roof had to be supported with anchor and iron rods. Fifty-one new stone window caps had to be put in, since the walls above the windows began to crack and were threatening to fall in. Also the window sash will not hold the panes any more, nor the doors, the locks, etc.

Again, it must be considered, that in the present building it is simply impossible to offer our orphans' parents such rooms as will satisfy the most modest demands for comfort and cleanliness. Our heating apparatus, laundry rooms, bathing equipment, kitchen, etc., are of the most primitive sort. Now if these, in part crying needs, are to be removed, and the necessary room is to be provided, men qualified to judge are of the opinion, that it can not be done better and cheaper than by the erection of a new building. We are aware, of course, that

your honorable Synod can not agree to the erection of such a building without the consent of the various districts, and we therefore request that this urgent matter be presented to them for an early decision. If we remember that for a period of 25 years our Orphans' Home has, by its abundant receipts, assisted the other institutions of our Synod, our petition ought to be granted. We have taken the pains to count up the money contributed for the Orphans' Home during the past 2 years: it is the neat sum of $25,973.00.

In regard to the financial condition of the institution, the reports of the treasurer and financial secretary will give all the necessary information. The entire amount of legacies is now $9,154.58. And most respectfully we ask the question, whether we as a board have the right to purchase real estate with this money.

In the management of the farm we have made a change. Since our present housefather is not a latin but a practical farmer, we have placed the management of the farm entirely in his hands. Mr. Atzinger agreed to this, and the two are working together in perfect harmony. Our gardening we have given up again for sufficient reasons, and our endeavor is now to raise as much as possible for our own housekeeping, so that in time it will not be necessary to make such great demands upon the benevolence of Synod. At present we have stock as follows: 4 horses, 5 cows, 22 hogs, 5 calves and poultry. This vear the farm and vegetable garden are promising. We have 16 acres in corn, 12 in wheat, 11 in oats, 10 in grass, 4 in potatoes, and 4 in other garden products.

In order to give our friends an opportunity to spend a day with our orphans, we have celebrated orphan festivals also in the past two years. The participation in these festivals on the part of our neighboring congregations was good, and we do not doubt that these festivals have aroused new interest for our orphanage work, and by the grace of God have been the cause of rich blessings. The receipts at these festivals amounted to $1,606.58. From the report of the treasurer it will appear how this money was used.

Inasmuch as Rev. J. C. Schacht resigned his membership in the board soon after the meeting of last Joint Synod, Rev. M. L. Baum was elected in his place with the consent of the general president. And since the Joint Synod at its last meeting elected two instead of three members to the Orphans' Home Board, we felt obliged to correct this oversight and we elected Mr. J. Rosilius of West Alexandria, Ohio, also with the consent of the general president. We request Synod to aprove these elections.

Finally, it is to be reported yet that the time of Mr. F. Rogge, Mr. E. Schlingmann, as also of the undersigned, as members of the board has expired. May in future also the charity of our Orphans' Home be acceptable to our faithful God.

In the name and by the authority of the Board of the Wernle Orphans' Home. A. J. Feeger.

Richmond, Ind., July 24, 1906.

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE AS ADOPTED BY SYNOD.

1. *As to the care of Orphans.* This matter was referred by Synod to the various Districts at its last meeting for further deliberation, and from their discussions we learn that Synod is of the opinion, that it is best to place orphans in Christian homes, but that under existing conditions orphanages are also necessary. We move that Synod approve these principles.

2. We move that Synod adopt the rules placed before it two years ago (See report 1904, pp. 38, 39) with the following changes:

Rule a, under I: Substitute the word "care" for "oversight."

Rule e, under I: As to the final reception of children the Board of Directors is to decide. In urgent cases the Executive Committee, or, in exceedingly urgent cases, the President in conjunction with the directing sister or matron can receive children temporarily.

Rule h, under I: The last sentence is to read: Where this is not paid, the Board reserves the right to provide for such children according to its best judgment.

3. With gratitude we acknowledge the benign protection of Almighty God over our institutions in the past two years.

4. We also give expression to our joy that the office of the housefather has been so admirably filled.

5. Concerning the new building or rebuilding in Richmond, we must acknowledge the necessity of the same, and, therefore, move that the petition of the Board be referred to the various Districts for discussion.

6. We move that the Board of Directors of the Orphans' Home be authorized to invest the legacies in real estate, i. e., to purchase the adjoining farm.

7. We move that the elections of the Board to fill vacancies be approved.

8. We rejoice that the Board has taken steps to fill the vacancy in the school, caused by the resignation of Teacher F. Wiechert, by calling Teacher J. J. Ballmer, of Detroit, Mich. We hope that he will find it possible to accept this call.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Items 1-4 *adopted.*

Item 5 pertaining to the Orphan Home building at Richmond, Ind. Concerning this building it was emphatically affirmed that there is no immediate danger of this building collapsing, that its foundation and walls are firm and substantial, far more so than many of the structures erected at the present time. In this connection it was also emphasized, that an earnest effort should be made to carry out the instruction of Synod in placing orphan children in Christian homes and, that if this were done, it would largely determine the question of building or rebuilding, as well as the size and character of building. The following was then offered as a substitute for *item* 5 and adopted: *Resolved,* That the Board of Directors give a full account of the conditions as they prevail at the Home, outline plans with estimates for building or rebuilding — plans on the institutional and cottage plan — and present the same to the Districts for discussion, and upon favorable action by the Districts, especially the central ones, the Board in conjunction with the General President be authorized to proceed without delay.

Resolved, That the Orphan Home Board be instructed to carry out the principles of Synod in placing orphans in Christian families.

Item 6 was changed, since it was the sense of Synod that the purchase of a farm is not desirable. We move that the Board of Directors of the Orphans' Home be authorized to invest the legacies safely.

Items 7 *and* 8 *adopted.*

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN HOME, MARS, PA.

REPORT OF THE BOARD.

To the Honorable Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN: — Sorrowfully, but not without comfort, we report the death of the chief founder and benefactor of our institution, Mr. G. D. Simen, of Allegheny, Pa. To his generosity our Home principally owes its existence. May God, who never leaves a good work undequitted, reward him in eternity for what he did in the interest of the homeless aged! May He raise up others to follow his example in the work of Christian benevolence!

During the past two years we received two men and five women. Two men and three women have died. Among those, who according to God's paternal providence were called to their true home above, was also Rev. Molthan, pastor emeritus. Long before he was received into our home, he was an object of helplessness and suffering. With great selfdenial and patience our Deaconesses and his fellow inmates cared for and nursed him, who had become more helpless than a child, until God took him unto Himself. His aged widow is still with us, and in great weakness awaits her deliverance from the ills of time.

At present we have 22 inmates; 10 men and 12 women.

Six boys and two girls were received. Of these, four boys, after a temporary stay, were returned to their surviving fathers or mothers, and one girl was given into the care of a Christian family. At present we have 8 children, for which, with a single exception, the surviving relatives or friends pay a stipulated sum weekly as boarding; usually $1.00 per week for each child.

Unfortunately we were compelled to decline quite a number of applications for the reception of children, for want of room. It is not advisable to place a larger number of children in the same building with the old people. The project of erecting a separate building for children has hitherto failed because of the resolution of Joint Synod passed two years ago making it our duty to send to Richmond, Ind. all children whom we could not place in Christian families. The friends of our children's home here in the East rightly judged, that if this resolution were to be carried into effect there would be no need of a children's home here. But we are of the firm conviction that a children's home for the eastern territory of our Synod is a crying necessity. If we propose to send the children offered to us to Richmond, they will simply not be given into our care, but be placed in institutions of the Missouri Synod, the Evangelicals, the Free Protestants or even the Roman Catholics. Why should we be compelled to send children to Richmond when they can be cared for just as well and just as cheaply at Mars?

We have now in the treasury for the children's home $6,385.79. What is necessary above this amount, our friends here will cheerfully contribute so that the erection of the building shall not become burdensome to Synod. Therefore we ask Synod to rescind the resolution referred to (see minutes of Joint Synod, 1904, page 41) so that our work, which God has so signally blessed, may develop without hindrance. We do not wish to become burdensome to Synod, neither would we have Synod bind our hands.

Up to this time we have gotten along without any special appropriation for the children's home. But if the work is to increase and grow, as we hope and desire, there should also be an appropriation for this part of our work. During the last two years we received from the general treasury an appropriation of $1,200.00 annually. Besides this, there were paid in the thanksgiving and other collections amounting to $1,235.90 for the two years. It might be advisable for all these collections to flow into the general treasury, and for the Home to receive its whole support from this source, so far as it is not met by the entrance fees and the boarding money. In this case, of course, the appropriation would have to be correspondingly increased. By the blessing of God we were well provided for, as will be seen from our financial report. We never suffered want, but, thanks to the economical management of our Sisters, neither did we allow any waste.

Our most difficult problem has been to provide the necessary help. Our Deaconesses have labored in their difficult calling with untiring energy and conscientious faithfulness. May God keep them in good courage, and raise up new recruits for the service of Christian beneyolence.

The term of office of Rev. H. J. Schuh and Mr. G. D. Simen as members of the board has expired, and their succcessors should be chosen at this meeting. The unexpired term of Mr. G. D. Simen was filled by the board appointing Mr. H. Ahlers of Allegheny, Pa.

May God in mercy prosper our work in the future as in the past!

In the name of the board,

H. J. Schuh, *President.*
E. F. A. Dittmer, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE AS ADOPTED BY SYNOD.

1. The Board reports the death of the founder of this institution, Mr. G. D. Simen, of Allegheny, Pa. With grateful hearts we remember the blessings which God has given to our whole Synod through this brother. May his memory be a blessing among us, and move others to follow his noble example in well-doing.

2. We move that Synod rescind the resolution as found in the report of 1904, p. 41, which reads: "All children which cannot be placed in families should be sent to the Orphans' Home at Richmond, Ind."

3. Concerning a special appropriation for the maintenance of this Children's Home, we are of the opinion that such is not necessary as yet.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Items 1-3 *adopted.* In this connection is was stated, that there are $8,000.00 on hand for the building of a temporary orphans' home and more can be secured if necessary.

PASTORS' AND TEACHERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

To the Hon. Ev. Luth. Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

With gratitude toward God are we again permitted to submit a most favorable report of our fund.

The plan, so seriously opposed by some during the past two years, has again proven itself so successful that we are able to report for this year a total receipt of $7,416.84 against $5,979.53 in 1904. For this condition especial thanks are due the faithful efforts of the collectors for Minnesota, Wisconsin, Washington, Eastern and First English Districts. We, therefore, recommend the further attention of the Hon. Synod to clauses 1 and 2 in the report submitted by the Board in 1904 on the administration of this fund.

Since, in the course of time, the condition of the beneficiaries will naturally change, and as it is necessary that the Board be informed of such changes, we urge the adoption by the Hon. Synod of the application blanks also submitted in the report for 1904.

As the terms of Rev. Adolf Ebert, Teacher C. Vogel, and Mr. J. H. Sheets expire with this year, an election will be necessary.

In the name of the Board,

J. BAUCH, *Treas.*

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE AS ADOPTED BY SYNOD.

1. We rejoice that the report of the treasurer is such a favorable one, the receipts having increased about 25 per cent. Therefore, and in consensus with the majority of our various Districts, we move to abandon the idea of a so-called Pension Treasury and to maintain the present system, and that a special committee by appointed by the General President to revise the rules of the present system and submit the same to the Districts for discussion.

2. That we approve the annual sending out of the question blank, as given in the report of 1904, p. 39.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Item 1 *adopted.*

Item 2 was referred to the Committee on Revision of the Rules.

KNOXVILLE.

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE AS ADOPTED BY SYNOD.

Regarding the communication from the Concordia District, referring to the request of Rev. Lauritzen, we are not able to place anything definite before Synod, as we have no means of gaining definite information as to the circumstances connected with this institution.

MISSIONS.

HOME MISSIONS.

REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD.

To the Honorable Ev. Luth. Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

Dear Fathers and Brethren: — In looking back upon the last two years, our Synod may well say with St. Paul: *"For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries."* 1 Cor. 16, 9.

That she has a right so to speak will be proven, in part at least, by a glance at the work done in the Home Mission Field.

The Organization

of the Board took place on the 5th day of September, 1904, by electing the following officers: Prof. K. Hemminghaus, Chairman; Rev. P. F. Hein, Treasurer of Mission Funds; Rev. W. L. Spielman, Treasurer of the Building Fund; Rev. J. H. Schneider, Secretary; Prof. A. Pflueger, Rev. C. W. Bachman, Auditing Committee; Prof. K. Hemminghaus, Rev. P. F. Hein, Rev. W. L. Spielman, Rev. J. H. Schneider, Executive Committee.

Resignation.

Prof. K. Hemminghaus, our worthy chairman, found it advisable, several weeks ago, to resign as a member of our board. The reason for this is found in the fact that his office as Director of the Teacher's Seminary demands all of his time. By his faithfulness the dear brother has certainly merited the thanks of Synod.

Self-Supporting

fields we have *fourteen* to report. These are Akron, Ohio; Bird City, Kan.; Canton, Ohio; Columbus, Ohio, Emanuel's congregation; Dickenson, N. Dakota; Franklin, Ohio; Goodwin, S. Dakota; Leipzig, N. Dakota; Le Mars, Iowa; Lind, Washington; Marietta, Minnesota; Oregon City, Oregon; Strasburg, Canada; Wilbur, Washington. There should be more places on this list. Some places which are almost old as missions should exert themselves more and should assume their pastor's full support. Some other missions seem to lack in the management of their finances. This state of affairs should be remedied by having the visitators give the needed instructions and encouragement. Whenever it becomes apparent that a mission congregation applies year after year for

the same amount of support from the mission treasury, something is wrong and the district officers should look into the matter. In case the people could support their pastor, and simply refuse to do so, we can do no more for them. In case the people can do no more than they are doing, the congregation should be joined to some other charge. No one should expect Synod to support a mission from five to fifteen years. Some synods withdraw all support after ten years. What does our Synod propose to do in this matter?

New Fields

were taken up to the number of *thirty-four*. They are the following: Arco, Minn.; Big Falls, Wis.; Billings, Minn,. taken back on the list; Chicago, Ill., Grace cong., East Dayton, Ohio; Edenland, Canada; Garrison, N. Dak.; Globeville (Denver) Colo.; Gratwick, N. Y., taken back; Highlandtown (Baltimore), Md.; Hickory, N. C.; Helotes-Salado, Texas; Johnstown, Colo.; Lemberg, Canada; Louise Bridge, Canada; Loveland, Colo.; Las Vegas, New Mexico; Liledoun, N. C.; Marietta, Minn.; Orlando, Okla.; Plumas, Canada; Raton, New Mexico; Rock Valley, Iowa; Regina, Canada; Stillwater, Okla.; St. Paul, Minn., Seminary Church; Spring Brook, N. Dak.; Strasburg, Canada; Swift, Ala.; Toledo, Ohio; Tacoma, Wash.; Vernon Centre, Minn.; Winipeg, Canada; Winipeg, (N. W.) Canada; Wyandotte, Mich., a school.

If the board could have heeded all the petitions, we could easily have begun work at fifty new places.

A New Field

came to us entirely unexpected and unsolicited. This field is in Canada. The particulars have been reported in our church papers. Any further information desired can be given. This unexpected field brought unexpected demands for financial aid. About $3,000.00 have been thus far appropriated. The board did not, however, feel authorized to refuse the desired help. Trusting in God, and feeling sure that, if Synod were in session, it would grant the petitions, the board extended several calls. At present there are seven men at work in Canada. Several more are to be called as soon as possible. One of the places in Canada has become self-supporting already. It may be proper to state in this connection that, in spite of this extra expense, our indebtedness is less than it was two years ago.

Fields Given Up.

Several places were given up and several fell into other hands. They are: Astoria, Oregon; Baltimore, Md.; (St. James' cong.); Chehalis, Wash.; Detroit, Mich.; (Rev. Zentner's cong.) Wabash, Ind.; Wilmont, Minn.; Wilbur, Wash.

Work Among the Slavs.

Nothing could be done among these people. This is due partly to the fact that we have not the men to work among them, and partly to the

fact that a national or tribal association found among the Slavs decides to what synodical body a pastor must belong before he is received with favor among the people. Our synod was not fortunate enough to be chosen by that society. Here should be mentioned the laudable effort put forth by our missionary at Massillon, Ohio, Rev. L. Coffman. This brother took the pains of learning the Slavic language so that he can officiate in it. He is ministering to some of those people.

A Representative of the Board.

Rev. P. F. Hein attended the meeting of the Wisconsin District last year and the meeting of this district and of the Minnesota District this year. These districts were so well pleased with this arrangement that they would like to have such visits repeated. In the interest of our mission work Rev. Hein made repeated trips to Chicago, Ill., and one trip to Columbus, Wis.

Rev. W. L. Spielman went to San Antonio, Texas and to Knoxville, Tenn., in the interest of the Building Fund.

Dr. Schuette, as heretofore, represented the board at the meetings of all the districts.

Help was Rendered the Board.

By students and pastors in the taking care of vacant missions and in bringing places into shape so that they could be supplied with a pastor.

Continued Ill Health

Forced our ever active and successful missionary, Rev. F. J. Theimer, then laboring at San Antonio, Tex., to leave the ranks of the ministry temporarily. Thank God, he has so far recovered his health that he is contemplating returning to his beloved labors in the vineyard of the Lord. May God grant this.

Called by Death

From his labors and from his family was Rev. W. M. Kibler. At the time of his death, June 15, 1905, this brother was missionary at Highlandtown, a suburb of Baltimore, Md.. He rests from his labors and his works do follow him.

Changes in our Charter

became necessary. On the one hand, the name and the title of the Building Fund had to be changed so as to be in full harmony with the title of Joint Synod, as amended several years ago. On the other hand, the board needed the legal right to have and to hold, to buy and to sell property for synod.

It would be proper for synod to sanction these changes.

Cases for Synod to Decide.

Two cases are herewith referred to Synod for decision. The first pertains to a protest which the secretary of the board filed against a

resolution of the board by which this board agreed to donate to a congregation a part of a bequest made by the now defunct City Mission Society of Columbus, Ohio. In the protest the right to do this is denied the board.

The particulars are to be found in the written minutes of the mission board on pages 88 to 92 and in the written minutes of the defunct city mission society on pages 14 to 55.

The other case pertains to the new mission field in Canada. The board does not feel itself authorized to vote more money for this field, unless synod gives its special approval, since the assuming of greater obligations will necessitate special appeals for help.

Elections.

The terms of office of the members of the mission board expire as follows:

Rev. J. C. Shacht's, 1906.
Rev. C. W. Bachman's 1906.
Rev. W. L. Spielman's, 1908.
Prof. K. Hemminghaus', 1908.
Prof. A. Pflueger's, 1910.
Rev. P. F. Hein's, 1910.
Rev. J. H. Schneider's, 1910.

Synod should designate the length of the term for which each member is elected.

An Inquiry.

Since the arrangement by which our missionaries receive their salary monthly entails very much labor on our mission treasurer, and since this arrangement can not well be changed, the board asks whether synod would not permit the board to make an appropriation for clerical help for our treasurer.

Some Data which may be of Interest.

We have at present the names of 76 persons on our list. All of these are receiving aid from the mission treasury.

Besides these, there are a number who are indirectly receiving help. Their congregations have loans from the building fund.

The following table shows the number of fields that have become self-supporting:

In the years 1884 to 1886	6 fields.
In the years 1886 to 1888	5 fields.
In the years 1888 to 1890	13 fields.
In the years 1890 to 1892	5 fields.
In the years 1892 to 1894	4 fields.
In the years 1894 to 1896	4 fields.
In the years 1896 to 1898	9. fields.
In the years 1898 to 1900	11 fields.
In the years 1900 to 1902	17 fields.

In the years 1902 to 1904	17 fields.
In the years 1904 to 1906	14 fields.
Total	105 fields.

With thanks towards God, for His gracious help, towards our brethren in the ministry for the confidence shown us, and towards the members of our congregations for the readiness with which they have always responded to our appeals, we remain synod's servants,

P. F. HEIN, *Chairman and Treasurer.*
W. L. SPIELMAN, *Treasurer of Building Fund.*
J. H. SCHNEIDER, *Secretary.*
A. PFLUEGER.
C. W. BACHMAN.
J. C. SCHACHT.

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE AS ADOPTED BY SYNOD.

1. We regret that we were deprived of the service of Prof. K. Hemminghaus, who was a member of the Mission Board for a period of 18 years, but we wish him the blessings of God in his responsible position as Director of the Normal School at Woodville, and we recommend that Synod give him a vote of thanks for his faithful services.

2. We heartily rejoice in the fact that 14 congregations have become self-supporting.

3. We rejoice that many new fields could be taken up; but the fact that there are still many open doors which we could not enter on account of the lack of suitable men, should urge us on to more diligent and prayerful efforts that young men may be trained for the service of the Lord.

4. We recommend that the course pursued by the Board in taking up the field in Canada be approved.

5. We express our gratitude to God that the contributions of our congregations have increased, and that our Board was, on that account, placed in a position to take up the field in Canada, and yet close its books with a smaller debt than it had two years ago.

6. Respecting the places that had to be given up, we thank God that the number was not larger, and that no promising mission field was among them.

7. We recommend that Synod instruct the Mission Board not to lose sight of the Slovak mission, and that Rev. Coffman, who has acquired the Slovak language, be employed as much as possible, and, if expedient, altogether for the work among the Slovaks.

8. Recognizing the blessing of personal contact and visitation by members of the Mission Board in the Mission congregations of the various Districts, we approve what was done in this respect in the past, and hope that in this way still more will be accomplished in the future.

9. We acknowledge, with thanks, the help rendered our Mission Board by students and pastors.

10. While we sympathize with Rev. F. J. Theimer in his sickness, we rejoice that he has, by the grace of God, so far recovered that he can hope soon to resume his labors.

11. With profound sorrow we record the death of our beloved brother, Rev. W. M. Kibler.

12. We approve the work of the Board in making needed changes in our charter.

13. In regard to the protest presented to the Honorable Synod for decision, we hold:

1. That the protest of the Secretary of the Mission Board, as proved by the minutes, is justifiable;

2. That an error in the proof for the protest should be stricken out, the protesting party having agreed to this;

3. That the Mission Board be empowered to sell the lots in question, situated on Reeb Ave., Columbus, O., to the congregation, for $561.75.

14. Regarding further work in Canada, we recommend that the Mission Board continue to prosecute the same, trusting to God and the liberality of our congregations to supply the funds.

15. We believe the time is at hand when the best interests of our missionary work require us to call a Superintendent of Missions and we hereby recommend that the Synod take this step.

Resolved, That the duties of the Superintendent be as follows, viz:

a) To visit and carefully investigate all places where it is proposed to establish new missions.

b) That he, as frequently as possible, visit the missions established, and inquire into their doctrinal, practical, financial,

and prospective conditions, inquire also concerning the circulation of our periodicals and literature, and advise both missionary and mission as he deems best.

c) That he attend as many missionary festivals as his time and strength permit.

d) That he write at least one article per month for each of our Synodical organs, *Kirchenzeitung* and *Standard*, thereby instructing our pastors and people concerning the necessity and condition of our missionary work, and urge and encourage our people to contribute liberally to its support.

e) That he report to our Missionary Board once each month, in person, when possible, per mail when it is not possible for him to meet with the Board.

f) That we authorize our Board, in conjunction with the General President, to call a Missionary Superintendent and to pay a salary of $1,200 per annum and his traveling expenses.

16. Having investigated Rev. G. M. Schmucker's claim against the Missionary Board, as missionary in Canton, Ohio, be it

Resolved, *a*) That we find that according to the amount guaranteed him, there was due him, at the end of the year 1895, the sum of $267.71.

b) That Rev. Schmucker was at fault inasmuch as he did not promptly report the claim to the Board, which led the Board to declare the mission self-supporting, without a knowledge of the claim.

c) That an arbitration committee be appointed by the General President to settle the matter in dispute.

17. We move that the Treasurer of Home Missions be allowed $300.00 for the hiring of an assistant.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Items 1-3 *adopted.*

Item 4, pertaining to the Canada mission field, was then adopted. Concerning this item it was stated, that the work there was not begun until a careful investigation of the situation had been made, all accusations to the contrary, as this matter has been elucidated again and again in our Church papers.

Item 5 *dopted.*

Item 6 adopted, with the explanation that the mission field in Chehalis, Wash., was discontinued six years ago and that of Wilbur, Wash., had meantime become self-supporting.

Items 7-12 adopted.

Item 13 was adopted after a full explanation of the situation had been given.

Item 14 *adopted.* Respecting this item, it became evident from the discussion that the mission field in Canada is a very important and promising one, and needs energetic prosecution. Places have been found where there are 30, 40 and 50 families ready to be organized into congregations, so that support in some places would be necessary only for a short time. We could scarcely answer for our neglect, if we fail to enter the door which the Lord has opened to us and push this work with zeal. It is hoped that our people will cheerfully respond with increased contributions, so that our Mission Board will be enabled to meet the demands made upon it.

Item 15 after some deliberation was referred to the District Synods for further discussion and action.

Item 16 *adopted.*

Item 17 *was lost.*

In this connection the following resolution was adopted: *Resolved,* That in view of the encouraging growth of our Home Mission work, our pastors and congregations be requested to make an offering for the benefit of our Home Mission work during the Lenten season in addition to the usual offerings for this cause.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Receipts 1904-1906	$10,335 85
Disbursements 1904-1906	9,820 38
In treasury August 3, 1906	515 47

With pleasure we note an increase from year to year in the receipts of money for this treasury.

A. W. WERDER.

Audited and found correct by sub-committee.

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE AS ADOPTED BY SYNOD.

1. We rejoice that in this field of our labor, the contributions of our congregations have also increased.

2. With reference to founding a foreign mission of our own we recommend:

a) That the wish expressed by several of our brethren, viz., that the relation of Hermannsburg to the State Church be once more taken up, be granted.

b) That in order to increase among us zeal for heathen missions, we, as a Synod, establish a mission of our own, so soon as God makes clear to us the way.

c) Inasmuch as the time for this is not yet at hand, we recommend that we take charge of one or more of the stations of the Hermannsburg Mission, in accord with the plan outlined by the Hermannsburg Mission Society.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Item 1 *adopted.*

Instead of *Item* 2, *a*, *b*, *c*, after a lengthy and earnest discussion, the following was offered as a substitute and adopted: *Resolved, a*) That this item be laid on the table for the next two years; *b*) that in the mean time the same be discussed at Conferences, Synods and in our magazines.

In this connection, to avoid any misunderstanding, Item 4, a, page 61* of English minutes of 1904, was reconsidered and the following offered as a substitute for the same and adopted: *Resolved,* That the disposition of the moneys collected among us for foreign missions remain the same as heretofore.

After further discussion and explanation, it was decided to renew the original request to the Hermannsburg Mission Society and that in the meantime the feasibility of foreign mission work by our Synod be referred to our District for discussion. Again it was resolved that the articles of agreement between the Royal Consistory of the State Church of Hanover and the Board of the

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* Item 4a reads: In respect to our relation to the Hermannsburg Mission Society we submit the following: That we continue our support of the Hermannsburg Mission Society.

Hermannsburg Mssion Society (vide Missionsblatt No. 6, p. 97 f) and also certain paragraphs of the Mission Constitution for Africa, transmitted by Rev. Haccius, be printed in sufficient numbers for distribution among the pastors to facilitate the discussion referred to them.

COLORED MISSIONS.

REPORT OF BOARD OF COLORED MISSIONS.

To the Honorable Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

DEAR BRETHREN:—In preparing this report of our work for the past two years, we are reminded of the blessings which have accompanied our feeble efforts in a difficult work. Though we may not report a rapid progress, it has been a steady growth that has resulted from the labors of our missionary. The congregation in Baltimore under the care of Rev. W. P. Phifer reports as follows:

Baptized members	70
Communicants	47
Sunday School	61
Confirmations	16
Received	8
Communed	160
Removed	5
Baptisms	24
Marriages	6
Funerals	10

The congregation has contributed toward its own expenses more than ever before, the offerings amounting to $300. In addition the church has been furnished with new pews and new carpet, without the assistance of the board.

We have kept the establishment of a parochial school in view, but our object has not been accomplished, owing to the lack of a suitable building. Our hope to begin the school this fall gives promise of success.

At the meeting of Joint Synod at Fremont, we were authorized to call a General Superintendent. We have repeatedly called men, only to have the call returned. The Board sought the advice of our Home Mission Board, of District Presidents and of the Faculties of our Seminaries at Columbus and St. Paul, and each recommendation was followed, but without success. It is the opinion of our Theological Faculty at Columbus, that a student ought not to be called. After repeated calls your Board has come to the conclusion that an older man can not be secured, and that a young man would be best fitted for this work.

We earnestly request Synod to advise and help us in securing the man for this office.

Rev. Snapp, a member of our Board has removed to North Carolina. It was suggested to him, to look over our field in that state, especially at Charlotte, N. C., where the congregation formerly supported by our Board, has been without pastoral care since Rev. Phifer came to Baltimore.

Upon the advice of President Schuh, Student Burton was requested to discontinue his studies at Capital University. Preparations were made to give the needed instruction by the pastors residing here, but the young man declared his withdrawal from us, and is now engaged in a mission in Easton, Pa., under the supervision of churches in connection with the General Council.

The following is the biennial report of our Treasurer, Mr. A. G. Snyder:

June 27, 1904, to balance	$156 16
Received per Fred J. Heer	1,217 20
Received from Pastors and Teachers	841 55
	$2,214 91

Disbursements.

To Rev. W. P. Phifer	$667 50
Rent for Parsonage	214 00
St. Mark's congregation, Charlotte, N. C., July 2, 1904, to January 2, 1905	184 32
Ground rent, St. Philip's Church, Baltimore	120 00
Student Burton	83 50
New pews, St. Philip's Church	64 50
Rev. Phifer, traveling expenses	46 00
Rev. Doermann, traveling expenses	39 80
Repairs, St. Philip's Church	25 00
Hymnals for church and Sunday-school	24 52
	$1,469 14
June 1, 1906, to balance	$745 77

A. G. SNYDER, *Treas.*

The terms of Rev. J. E. A. Doermann and Hon. J. J. Dobler expire this year.

Most Respectfully Your Board,

HON. J. J. DOBLER, *President.*
REV. J. F. MUELLER, *Secretary.*
MR. A. G. SNYDER, *Treasurer.*
REV. J. E. A. DOERMAN.
REV. D. E. SNAPP.

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE AS ADOPTED BY SYNOD.

1. We rejoice that by the grace of God the work has progressed, and that the congregation in Baltimore has increased its contributions to the pastor's salary to $300.00.

2. We regret that no advance has been made in the establishment of a parochial school, and earnestly hope that an earnest effort will at once be made to reach this goal.

3. With regard to calling a Superintendent for Negro Missions, we are of the same opinion as is the theological faculty at Columbus, viz., that a man of experience should be called, so that the work may be prosecuted energetically.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Item 1 *adopted.*

Item 2, regarding the establishment of a parochial school at Baltimore, it was stated that this work involves great difficulties which are not easily overcome. Some work has indeed been done in a school which is held on Saturdays. Adopted.

Item 3 *adopted.*

JEWISH MISSIONS.

REPORT OF JEWISH MISSION BOARD.
July, 1904 — July, 1906.

To the Honorable Joint Synod of Ohio: Greetings:

DEAR BRETHREN: — We, the undersigned, constituents of your Board for Jewish Mission Work, beg leave to submit the following biennial report. The experience of the past two years confirms our faith in the mercy and faithfulness of God, and enables us to realize, more fully than ever before, the feebleness of human instruments in performing the work of God. We all concede that all missionary work is difficult, and in the field of mission work among the Israelites, these difficulties are multiplied and augmented to a serious degree. Here must be combatted, on the one hand, the Jew's intense hatred of Christ, and of Christianity, the distrust and bitterness of feeling against the Gentiles, engendered by centuries of deception and persecution, as also the complete ostracizing of the Jewish convert by all his kindred and people.

On the other hand, we must also reckon with the deep-rooted prejudice of the Gentiles against the Jews, as also a dislike for them which often assumes the proportions of intense hatred, and even among those to whom we look for the support of this work, is found a serious distrust and suspicion, the result of many disappointments, deceptions and desertions.

In view of these difficulties it would seem a hopeless task to seek the conversion of Israel to Christ. But, after all, it is not a hopeless task. They who long, pray, and labor for the conversion of the Jews are sustained by well grounded hopes, resting upon the command and promises of God, and nourished by the blessings of God which attend our efforts in this our overripe harvest field.

Immediately after the meeting of this Synod in Fremont, Ohio, (1904) your Board met and reorganized, electing Rev. O. S. Oglesby chairman, Rev. C. V. Sheatsley secretary, and Mr. Otto Meyer treasurer. We held monthly meetings during the past two years. From September, 1904 till May, 1905, our only laborer in the field was Rev. A. R. Kuldell, and the chief form of his work was that of a "postal mission," the preparation and distribution of suitable missionary literature, and in addition, our missionary instructed a number of individuals, and preached frequently. An account of his work will be given below, in his own words.

In May, 1905, Rev. Kuldell called the attention of the Board to the possibility of securing a worthy and efficient assistant in this vast and difficult work, in the person of Mr. John Legum, candidate of theology, who for one year pursued the study of theology in the Lutheran Seminary in Chicago, and by the teachers of which he was also well recommended.

In the Board the need of such an assistant was not questioned, and after due investigation, Candidate Legum was called as an assistant missionary, to work as an assistant of Rev. Kuldell, at a salary of $50.00 per month. Candidate Legum was ordained by the Eastern District, during the convention in Baltimore, August, 1905. Soon after his ordination difficulties arose between him and Brother Kuldell, which, in spite of all our efforts to overcome, resulted in Brother Legum resigning and withdrawing from our Synod, which he did in June of the present year. In justice to Brother Legum, and defense of the action of the Board, we will here give a brief statement of the work done by Rev. Legum.

Two rooms were rented in the midst of the Jewish population in Pittsburgh, the Board paying one-half the rent, and Rev. Legum one-half. One room was furnished as a school room, where Rev. Legum met and instructed such Jews as were willing to be instructed, of which he always had a goodly number. He also ministered to the wants of many destitute and distressed, and gave advice to the confused and perplexed immigrant, thus doing that genuine mission work which, above all things else, gives access to the prejudiced heart, which work he faithfully continued until his withdrawal from Synod.

In financial matters your Board had some very unpleasant experiences. In the beginning of the biennial period which we now close, we had the neat sum of $1,120.41 in the treasury. This sum, together with contributions to this fund, were deposited, by our treasurer, in the Enterprise National Bank in Allegheny, supposed to be one of the safest banks in "Greater Pittsburgh." In the autumn of 1905 this bank was completely wrecked by dishonest officials, involving $1,100.00 of our funds. Thus far we have not been able to recover one cent of this money, although we still have hopes of recovering a fair percent of it. Further information on this subject will be given by the treasurer in his appended report.

In view of the urgent necessity for the earnest prosecution of the missionary work among the Jews, and in view of our knowledge of the needs of this work, we ask this honorable Synod to empower your Board to call a man as Jewish Missionary, who shall give his time and strength to this work exclusively, and to authorize the Board to pay him such a salary as will properly support him.

We call attention to a vacancy in this Board, caused by the resignation of Mr. Chas. Eisenbach.

Work Performed by our Jewish Missionary, Rev. A. R. Kuldell.

Beloved Brethren and Fathers: — If in any field of missionary effort modesty and faith are indispensible, it is especially so in the field of Jewish missions. We must be modest and humble when we speak of our efforts, and we must not forget to exercise faith when we look at results. We here present a summary of our work as follows:

I. *Dissemination of missionary literature.*

II. *Personal testimony and instruction.*

I. Just as every well organized heathen mission appoints one or two men to give themselves entirely to the creation and dissemination of a missionary literature, so ought Jewish mission, at least the Jewish mission cause in this land, have one or two men to give themselves exclusively to the literary side of this work, which, in this land, is still in its infancy. As there was hardly one thing fit to give to the modern, intelligent English reading Jew, the writer felt called to make a trial in supplying this want. The following publications are now on hand, and are meeting with approval among Jews and Christians: viz. An Open Letter. 3rd Edition. Primitive Christianity and Reform Judaism. The Creedless Creed of Reformed Judaism. The Jewish Question and its Solution. The Atonement Day. Eine Unterredung über Christentum und Christus. The Jewish View. 6th Edition.

Thus our work in this connection has hardly begun. Of course, such work cannot be done with the view of counting the converts, as little as a Bible or Tract Society can guage its success by the converts it can count.

II. Another phase of our activity is personal testimony, preaching and teaching. In the winter of 1905 we had a family of eight souls, and a young man whom we prepared for baptism. They were all bap-

tized by the undersigned. The young man left for the West, and as far as we have heard, he is faithful. The family of eight are still in our vicinity, and the mother, who has gone through many afflictions, told us recently she would not deny Christ if she starved on the street because of her faith.

We also put a young man into a Christian family in a neighboring town, because he could have no Christian instruction as long as he remained with his people. We visited him at stated times, and instructed him, but he could not stay away from coaxing relations. He went back, but he took with him some knowledge of the Gospel which will bear fruit some day. During the winter of 1906 we instructed a widow and four children, a man who was to marry her, and the Jewish wife of a Greek Catholic, or rather, atheist. During the summer we have been preaching the Gospel to large crowds of Jews under the dome of heaven.

The Results.

In speaking of our efforts we could not help but touch on the success and failures of such efforts. Here we want to emphasize that the late Jewish massacres in Russia have embittered the hearts of the Jews against the Gospel more than ever. This is the testimony of Jewish missionaries the world over. They attribute the fiendish deed to Him whose cross the human brutes were bearing. But in spite of this fact the writer has been able to preach, this summer, a pure Gospel to crowds of Jews who were as attentive as Christians in a church. This is a great privilege and a great success. Jewish missions are not home missions, or even foreign missions, they are *"Sui generis."* If we can get a hearing we are very happy. The rest we leave with the Lord. We count it success that many pastors and laymen, inside and outside of the Lutheran Church, have become interested enough in Israel's salvation to approach the Jews of their neighborhood with a personal testimony, and with missionary literature gotten from us. In this field of labor the latter method is ideal. Could we not bend our energies in the future towards the realization of this ideal? Why not every church evangelize the Jews of its own neighborhood? Get the weapons from the missionary arsenal, but let pastor and people fight the Lord's battles as they ought to do.

Thus Synod has experienced that to bring the light of Christ into the darkness of Jewish infidelity, is a battle, and a bitter one at that; will we play the coward? The flesh says: "Yes." But what says the spirit? Luke 9, 62. May the Lord guide and comfort you and yours.

A. R. KULDELL.

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE.

1. We should not be forgetful of the great difficulties attending this work, and should not, therefore, expect early results.

2. We regret that Rev. Legum, whose work was so promising, was so soon lost to us.

3. We recommend that the Synod authorize the Board to call a man to give his entire time and strength to this work, and to pay him a salary adequate to his support, and that he be obligated to work under definite instruction from the Synod, and in full harmony with our doctrine and practice.

4. We regret the loss of money entrusted to the bank, but in no wise censure the Board.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Items 1 *and* 2 *adopted.*

Item 3 *adopted.* Regarding this item it was said, that while we fully realize that the work of Jewish missions is a most difficult one, attended with many obstacles, deceptions and disappointments, yet are we not justified in relaxing our efforts in pushing this work energetically as our ability and means will allow, as a testimony for Christ, and especially since our Church is the exponent of all true doctrine.

Item 4 *adopted.*

PUBLICATION MATTERS.

REPORT OF THE PUBLICATION BOARD.

To the Honorable Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

DEAR BRETHREN: — Your board on publication matters herewith submits its eleventh biennial report.

1. The board as elected at the convention of synod in 1904 met on the 13th of September, 1904, and organized by electing Prof. E. Pfeiffer as chairman, J. Sheatsley as secretary, Profs. Stellhorn, Pfeiffer and Rev. Hein as executive committee, and Profs. Pflueger, Leonard and Singer as auditing committee.

2. It deserves mention that there was no change in the personnel of the board during the two years, nor of editors of the various periodicals, except that Rev. A. O. Swinehart resigned as editor of the Lesson Leaf, September 19, 1905. The writer was appointed to that work for the next year, while Rev. C. D. Besch now holds the position, having been appointed July 11, 1905. Rev. F. W. Rohlfing also resigned as editor of the Primary Lesson Paper, July 11, 1906. Rev. C. D. Besch was likewise appointed to fill that position.

3. *Agende.* The first edition of the Agende being exhausted, steps have been taken to get out a new edition with certain changes and additions as shown in the following report which was prepared by Rev. C. C. Hein and Dr. Stellhorn, considered by the board, revised by Rev. Hein and Prof. Pfeiffer and is now submitted to Synod for consideration: (See German Report.)

4. Since some variations exist in the texts common to hymn books, liturgies, catechisms, etc., the board recommends that a committee be appointed to bring these texts into complete harmony, both German and English.

5. *Catechism.* The board recommends that the following additions be made to the catechism, German and English:

1.) The questions asked in the confessional service in the liturgy.
2.) The questions asked at confirmation.
3.) A short treatise on confirmation.
4.) "Bibelkunde."
5.) The most important events in Church History.
6.) A short treatise on the Church Year.

6. *Sunday School Literature.* Progress has been made on the graded series of books for our Sunday-schools, though it will take a few years more to complete the series as at present outlined. The board presents the following:

1.) The 104 large colored charts, German and English, seem to be giving general satisfaction.

2.) Miniature colored picture cards, reproductions of the large charts, German and English, will appear soon.

3.) "Narratives from the Old and New Testaments, for Intermediate and Higher Classes," English, is on the market. Steps have been taken to get out the German edition.

4.) "Narratives from the Old and New Testaments, for Primary Classes," English, is in press. Steps have also been taken to get out the German edition of this book.

5.) A course in the catechism in the form of catechisation, either for a one or a two years' course. In preparation. The German will appear first.

6.) It is also proposed to publish a book on connected Bible history for higher classes.

7.) "The Primary Teacher," an explanation of or helper to the charts, now appearing quarterly, later to appear in book form. English.

8.) "The Teacher's Guide," to be used in teaching the two grades of Bible narratives, now appearing quarterly, later to appear in book form. English.

7. *Our Publishing House in General.* For reasons which can best be given orally on floor of Synod the board submits the following two petitions:

1.) That Synod authorize the board to sell the publishing plant, excepting the realty and the book department.

2.) That Synod authorize the board to erect on the front part of the lot a modern business block of three or four rooms and stories and to make the necessary loans.

8. Publications issued during the past two years:

14,000 German Almanacs 1905.
5,500 English Almanacs 1905.
3,000 Lorenzen Fibeln.
275 Sets Charts, 52 English and 52 German in Old and New Testtament.
1,000 Lindeman Fibeln
1,000 A Flower's Mission — Christmas Book.
3,000 Bleibe Daheim.
3,000 Konfirmandenfreund.
3,000 German-English Catechisms.
1,000 Small English Bible Histories.
1,000 Small German Bible Histories.
5,000 Liturgische Gottesdienstordnung.
1,000 New Series Bible Histories, English, Old and New Testament, Large size.
2,000 Loy — History of my Life.
1,000 Christmas Book — Peace on Earth.
1,000 Christmas Book — Pace that Kills.

14,000 German Almanacs, 1906.
1,000 Herz und Leben Vol. II (German Christmas Book).
1,000 Teachers Guide.
2,000 Little Treasure of Prayers.
6,000 English Almanacs, 1906.
2,500 S. S. Hymnals.
2,000 Lindemann Fibeln.
4,500 German Catechisms.
2,000 Small German Bible Histories.
2,000 Large German Bible Histories.
3,900 German Pocket Hymnals.
500 Psalterlusts.
2,000 Tracts "True Temperance."
2,000 English Catechisms.
1,000 Large Bible Histories, English.
1,000 Small Bible Histories, English.
1,000 Lose Christmas Books.

9. *Election.* Manager for two years; two members of the board for six years, successors to Dr. F. W. Stellhorn and Mr. W. C. Windisch; editors of periodicals for two years, to-wit: one each for Theol. Zeitblaetter, Theol. Magazine, Kinderfreude, Lutheran Child's Paper and Little Missionary, and four each for Kirchenzeitung and Standard.

Respectfully submitted,

J. SHEATSLEY, *Secy.*

Delaware, Ohio, July 20, 1906.

REPORT ON THE KIRCHENZEITUNG.

The editors of the *Kirchenzeitung* hereby present the following brief report on the condition of this periodical to the members of the Joint Synod.

The lists show 6,795 subscribers on July 1, 1906. Means ought to be found to increase this number considerably. Under present arrangements it hardly seems possible to do much in this direction. The editors are busy with their particular work, the Book Concern has its part to perform, and neither is authorized to undertake anything especial in the line of gaining new subscribers. A little effort has indeed been made each year before the holidays and has had some degree of success. But we think much more should be done. Our subscription list ought to show no less than 10,000 readers.

During the past two years $14,260.36 were received from subscribers, and $224.50 from advertisers, total $14,484.86. The expenses for the same period were $10,814.18, leaving a surplus of $3,670.68. We are not able to say anything concerning the expenses, as the single items are

not submitted for our inspection. One thing, however, we feel impelled to mention, namely that the work of editing the paper is too poorly paid, especially the work of the chief editor. The undersigned has done three or four times as much work as he has been paid for.

We submit the following question to Synod: Would it not be advisable to appoint for the *Kirchenzeitung* and the *Standard*, and perhaps for some of our other periodicals, a managing editor whose duty it would be to spread the papers, to obtain suitable advertisements, to take charge of all the credits that are to appear in the paper, and the like? The first assistant editor, whose duties are light, might easily take this work for the *Kirchenzeitung* alone.

The undersigned hereby extends his hearty thanks to all the brethren who have assisted him during the past two years by their good will and contributions for the paper. The success of the *Kirchenzeitung* will always depend in great measure on such support of the brethren.

R. C. H. Lenski.

REPORT OF THE EDITORS OF THE LUTHERAN STANDARD.

Brethren of the Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

Two years have again been added to the history of the *Lutheran Standard*. During this period the editors have labored together faithfully and harmoniously, and it is our pleasure to state that the paper is being favored with a fair measure of prosperity. Its present circulation is 4,144, being a gain of 200 since the last report. Two years ago the books showed a financial loss of $308.07, but this loss has been overcome, and the *Standard* is now credited with a net profit of $320.23. Not a large margin, but large enough to be quite encouraging.

Although this journal is steadily gaining ground and is now likely to present a better report from year to year, we feel that its progress should be more rapid than it ever has been, and that greater efforts ought to be made to increase its efficiency and influence. As the *Standard* is one of the official organs of Synod, all should be deeply interested in its welfare and give it their support by word and deed. Many brethren are doing a noble part in behalf of this paper and we heartily commend them for their loyalty and devotion, and indulge the hope that their example may be followed by many others who are thus able to serve the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

G. T. Cooperrider,
Edward Pfeiffer,
J. Sheatsley,
Walter E. Tressel,
Editors of Lutheran Standard.

ANNUAL REPORT OF LUTHERAN BOOK CONCERN.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN BOOK CONCERN FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1905.

Statement of Ledger at Close of Year.

DR.

Real Estate	$41,829 15	
Machinery	25,651 24	
Furniture and fixtures	1,795 98	
Ohio National Bank	179 68	
Cash	182 29	
Accounts Receivable	21,691 69	
Labor	33,995 46	
Expense	736 94	
Freight and Drayage	991 15	
Expressage	2,002 40	
Postage	1,507 80	
Interest	2,200 59	
Insurance	344 90	
Gas	554 90	
Coal	666 07	
Taxes	771 46	
Telephone	40 35	
Water, (Deposit $10.00)	82 36	
Theol. Zeitblaetter	77 19	
Theol. Magazine	112 71	
Child's Paper	104 85	
Lesson Leaves	129 43	
Primary Lesson Paper	376 06	
		$136,024 65

CR.

Notes Payable	$27,371 58	
Accounts Payable	.....	
Capital	102,672 00	
German Professorship	1,868 00	
Merchandise	1,749 86	
Discount	296 23	
Rent	186 00	
Kirchenzeitung	1,546 67	
Standard	179 42	
Kinderfreude	108 44	
Little Missionary	46 45	
		$136,024 65

Statement of Profit and Loss.

GAINS.

Merchandise —			
Inventory, May 31, 1905.....	$47,462 81		
Merchandise Sold	115,112 59		
		$162,575 40	
Inventory, May 31 1904.....	48,329 34		
Merchandise Bought	65,033 39		
		113,362 73	
			$49,212 67
Machinery —			
Inventory, May 31, 1905.....		$26,807 18	
Inventory, May 31, 1904.....		25,651 24	
			1,155 94
Discount			296 23
Rent			186 00
Kirchenzeitung			1,546 67
Standard			179 42
Kinderfreude			108 44
Little Missionary			46 45
			$52,731 82

LOSSES.

Furniture and Fixtures —			
Inventory, May 31, 1904.....	$1,795 98		
Inventory, May 31, 1905.....	1,781 47		
		$14 51	
Labor		33,995 46	
Expense		736 94	
Freight and Drayage.....		991 15	
Expressage		2,002 40	
Postage		1,507 80	
Interest		2,200 59	
Insurance		344 90	
Gas		554 90	
Coal		666 07	
Taxes		771 46	
Telephone		40 35	
Water		72 36	
Theol. Zeitblaetter		77 19	
Theol. Magazine		112 71	
Child's Paper		104 85	
Lesson Leaves		129 43	
Primary Lesson Paper		376 06	
			44,699 13
Gain			$8,032 69

Statement of Ledger at Beginning of Year June 1, 1905.

DR.

Merchandise	$47,462 81	
Real Estate	41,829 15	
Machinery	26,807 18	
Furniture and Fixtures	1,781 47	
Ohio National Bank	179 68	
Cash	182 29	
Accounts Receivable	21,691 69	
Water (Deposit)	10 00	
		$139,944 27

CR.

Notes Payable	$27,371 58	
Accounts Payable	.....	
German Professorship	1,868 00	
Capital $102,672 00		
Gain 8,032 69		
	110,704 69	
		$139,944 27

Audited and found correct, June 30, 1905.

GEO. K. LEONARD,
S. A. SINGER,
Committee.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN BOOK CONCERN FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1906.

Statement of Ledger at Close of Year.

DR.

Ohio National Bank	$204 08
Cash	429 39
Labor	36,520 86
Expense	505 30
Freight and Drayage	749 47
Expressage	2,159 22
Postage	1,728 59
Interest	1,739 05
Insurance	331 60
Gas	495 40
Coal	838 86
Taxes	769 73
Telephone	54 30
Water (Deposit $10.00)	76 78
Real Estate	41,829 15
Machinery	26,807 18

Furniture and Fixtures	1,781 47	
Theol. Magazine	65 82	
Primary Lesson Paper	134 31	
Accounts Receivable	21,949 09	
		$139,169 65

CR.

Merchandise	$1,939 98	
Discount	42 84	
Rent	186 00	
Capital	110,704 69	
German Professorship	1,868 00	
Kirchenzeitung	2,124 01	
Standard	140 81	
Theol. Zeitblaetter	22 12	
Kinderfreude	309 90	
Child's Paper	594 31	
Little Missionary	432 29	
Lesson Leaves	251 12	
Notes Payable	19,446 58	
Accounts Payable	1,107 00	
		$139,169 65

Statement of Profit and Loss.

GAINS.

Merchandise —			
Inventory, May 31, 1906	$47,255 64		
Merchandise Sold	112,273 91		
		$159,529 55	
Inventory, May 31, 1905	$47,462 81		
Merchandise Bought	62,871 12		
		110,333 93	
			$49,195 62
Furniture and Fixtures —			
Inventory, May 31, 1906	$1,826 10		
Inventory, May 31, 1905	1,781 47		
			44 63
Discount			42 84
Rent			186 00
Luth. Kirchenzeitung			2,124 01
Luth. Standard			140 81
Theol. Zeitblaetter			22 12
Kinderfreude			309 90
Child's Paper			594 31
Little Missionary			432 29
Lesson Leaves			251 12
			$53,843 65

LOSSES.

Machinery—			
Inventory, May 31, 1905.....	$26,807 18		
Inventory, May 31, 1906.....	25,065 10		
		$1,742 08	
Labor		36,520 86	
Expense		505 30	
Freight and Drayage		749 47	
Expressage		2,159 22	
Postage		1,728 59	
Interest		1,739 05	
Insurance		331 60	
Gas		495 40	
Coal		838 86	
Taxes		769 73	
Telephone		54 30	
Water		66 78	
Theol. Magazine		65 82	
Primary Lesson Paper		134 31	
			$47,901 37
Gain			$5,442 28

Statement of Ledger at Beginning of Year June 1, 1906

DR.

Merchandise	$47,255 64	
Real Estate	41,829 15	
Machinery	25,065 10	
Furniture and Fixtures	1,826 10	
Ohio National Bank	204 08	
Cash	429 39	
Accounts Receivable	21,949 09	
Water (Deposit)	10 00	
		$138,568 55

CR.

Notes Payable		$19,446 58	
Accounts Payable		1,107 00	
German Professorship		1,868 00	
Capital	$110,704 69		
Gain	5,442 28		
		116,146 97	
			$138,568 55

Ten per cent of the net gain for the last two years amounting to $1,347.00 has been set aside for the German Professorship at Capital University (see Joint Synod Minutes, 1902, p. 74), making the credits in the above reports as follows:

Notes Payable		$19,446 58
Accounts Payable		1,107 00
German Professorship Fund	$1,868 00	
	1,347 00	
		3,215 00
Capital reported above	$116,146 97	
Less	1,347 00	
		114,799 97
		$138,568 55

July 31, 1906. Audited and found correct.

GEO. K. LEONARD,
S. A. SINGER,
Committee.

The above report shows the business done at The Lutheran Book Concern for the past two years to be as follows:

First — The cash value of the entire amount of business done from June 1, 1904, to June 1, 1906 is $227,386.50.

Second — On this there was a net profit of $13,474.97. Of this profit $12,325.00 was used to pay off notes against the Concern.

Third — The notes against the Concern, June 1, 1904, amounted to $31,771.58, and have been reduced to $19,446.58 on June 1, 1906.

Fourth — Ten per cent of the net profits of the Concern for the past two years amounting to $1,347.00 has been placed to the credit of the fund for the German Professorship at Capital University, increasing this fund to $3,215.00, and making the entire indebtedness of the Concern for notes, bills and this fund amount to $23,768.58.

REPORT OF THE MANAGER OF THE BOOK CONCERN.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and other States:

BRETHREN — Twenty-eight years ago the undersigned was appointed to take charge of the printing office which was established in 1878. With an humble beginning and a debt of about $800 just enough material was purchased to print the Lutheran Standard and Luth. Kirchenzeitung. In 1881 the Book Concern was started in a small room in a building on High Street in Columbus, Ohio, where the printing department had been for a little over two years. Mr. J. L. Trauger was elected manager of the entire Book Concern including the printing department. The Publication Board having no capital asked for $5.00 loans but only $85.00 was received. The profits of the Concern was designated to go to the Institution Treasury. During the years 1881 to 1890 over $20,000 was so set aside and paid over. In fact in 1886 more was turned over by $19.00 than was earned.

This seriously crippled the Book Concern as the management was compelled to borrow money to run the business. In 1890, Synod resolved

to set aside $3,000 per year to begin a fund for the erection of a building and the purchasing of a site for the Book Concern.

In 1892 the building was erected and on January 18, 1893 the same was dedicated. The debt arising from the erection and furnishing this building was $60,412.77. For six years from 1893 to 1899 this debt increased to $81,730.97. This was partly due to the hard times and the fact that the output and income were not large enough to pay interest and running expenses. From 1899 to 1906 the debt was reduced from $81,730.97 to $23,768.58. Besides this there were $3,000 turned over to the Institutions and $3,215.00 placed to the credit of the German Professorship Fund.

After having served Synod for 28 years, of which 14 years was spent in the capacity of printer, foreman and bookkeeper, 7 years as assistant manager and 7 years as manager, I herewith express my sincere appreciation and thanks for the confidence and the uniform courtesy shown me and will ask Synod not to consider my name in connection with the election as manager, as it is my desire to engage in the printing business after the expiration of my term on May 31, 1907. Circumstances are such that I cannot consider nor accept a re-election.

Again thanking you, I remain,

Very truly yours,

F. J. Heer.

REPORT OF PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION.

1. Page 32, Sec. 4. *Resolved,* That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board and of the President of Joint Synod, Page 16, Sec. 4, we recommend:

a) *That* a committee of five be appointed by the President of Joint Synod, to bring the texts of hymn books, liturgies, catechisms, etc., into harmony, both in our German and in our English publications.

b) *That* this committee be instructed to look after the publishing of both the German and the English liturgies.

2. Sec. 5. We recommend that the Publication Board be instructed to publish an edition of the catechism as recommended by the Board.

3. Sec. 6. We express our gratification in view of the progress made, in the graded series of books for Sunday-schools and hope the work will be pushed to completion.

4. Sec. 8. With satisfaction we call attention to the large number of publications issued during the past two years.

In this connection it was reported that the Board has taken steps to dispose of the dead stock that has been accumulating for years.

Your committee recommends that the action of the Board be approved. We further recommend that the Board be again urged to repeat its efforts to get our publications, such as the almanacs and Sunday-school liturgies, issued at an earlier date.

5. The reports of the *Kirchenzeitung* and *Standard* show, that the *Kirchenzeitung* has 6,795 subscribers, an increase of 552 over two years ago, and a profit of $3,670.68; that the *Standard* has 4,144 subscribers, an increase of 452 and a profit of $320.23.

We express our gratification in view of the favorable report on both papers, and agree with the recommendations of the editors, that a more general effort should be made, by pastors and people, to increase their circulation.

6. In reference to the question of electing a managing editor, we recommend the appointment of a managing editor by the Publication Board, whose duty it shall be to expedite the publication and circulation of all our periodicals, books and literature generally.

The specific duties of such editor and his relation to the manager of the Book Concern, to be determined by the Board.

7. Sec. 7. *a*) We recommend that Synod give the Board, in conjunction with the General President, the authority to sell on acceptable terms the publishing plant, excepting the realty and the Book Department, when a favorable opportunity presents itself to do so.

b) We further recommend that the Board be given authority to erect a business block on our lot, in order that funds in our various treasuries may thus be safely invested.

c) We recommend that the Publishing Board be authorized to elect the manager of the Book Concern, and that By-Law 3. *g*) of the Constitution of Joint Synod be changed accordingly.

8. We recommend that a vote of thanks be given to Mr. F. J. Heer, manager of the Book Concern, for his long and faithful service to Synod.

9. With regard to the request of the Western District, to consolidate the Child's Paper and Little Missionary and publish the new paper oftener, we recommend that no change be made.

10. In regard to the inquiry of the Western District with reference to the manual to be prepared by Rev. E. A. Boehme, your committee begs leave to ask what progress has been made.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Item 1 *a and* b *adopted.*

Item 2 *adopted* with the understanding, that in the next edition of the English liturgy, the formula for confession be made to conform to the formula in the German Agende.

Items 3-6 *adopted.* In connection with item 6 pertaining to a managing editor, it was said that the fault does not lie at the door of the Publication Board or Book Concern that our publications often appear too late, but is rather to be ascribed to the editors who fail to send in their manuscripts in time. It often happens, too, that editors become discouraged because of ungracious criticism and resign, and the Book Concern is left in the lurch. The purpose of a managing editor is to expedite the work, extend circulation, push advertising, secure manuscript and send out publications on time.

Item 7 a adopted.

This item evoked considerable discussion. The intention of this proposition is simply to give the Publicaton Board the authority to sell and no more. There is no imperative necessity to take this step, in fact our Book Concern is in better standing than ever before. That which moved Synod to take this step is the complicated arrangement in the printing department, which even some members of the board admit that they are not able to understand — a responsibility which the board does not care to carry any longer. It was also affirmed, that in the present arrangement the profits derived from the plant are not in proportion with the capital invested and that Synod would fare better financially if she were to rent the building and submit our printing to bidders or begin a plant sufficiently large simply to do our own work. The opinion was also expressed by some that the Church has no call to engage in a general printing business.

Item 7 *b,* regarding a business block on our lot. Two reasons were given for this step. First, we have no adequate room for our books, so that the business suffers in many ways; sec-

ondly, we have funds by endowments, legacies, etc., which should be safely and profitably invested, and no more advisable step could be taken than to invest moneys in a good, substantial business building, which would yield a fair profit. *7 b adopted.*

The following resolution was then offered and adopted: *Resolved,* That the erection of the new building be placed in the hands of the Board of Administration and Publication Board.

Item *7 c,* regarding the proposed change of the constitution was adopted, and *g* of § 3 of By-Laws was stricken out, so that *h* and *i* become *g* and *h.*

Items 8-10 *adopted.*

In answer to item 10 it was said that no progress had been made, as it is not clear what the manual should contain. Since, however, it is desired that this manual should appear, Rev. E. A. Boehme was requested to prepare the same as soon as possible.

The following propositions were then presented to Synod and adopted:

As the committee charged with the publication of new editions of the German Agende and the English Liturgy may adopt certain changes in the Order of Morning Service as proposed by the Publication Board, the Committee on the new English Hymnal with Music was authorized to bring the corresponding order in its publication into conformity with such changes.

In view of the great importance of the work before us, the members of the Publication Board here present respectfully petition Synod: 1) To increase the membership of the Board (from eight to nine) by the addition of a layman to be elected for six years; 2) To elect by acclamation Mr. W. C. Windisch, of Detroit, Mich., who as practical printer and binder has rendered the Board faithful and efficient services during the last two years.

REPORTS OF TREASURERS.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL INSTITUTION TREASURY.

(From July 1, 1904, to June 30, 1906.)

To the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

BRETHREN:—I have the pleasure of herewith submitting to your honorable body my tenth biennial report which begins July 1, 1904 and ends with June 30, 1906.

The past two years have been the best the General Institution Treasury has experienced in the way of collections for the institutions for any similar period during the past 20 years, especially when you consider that no special or extraordinary efforts have been made. There was a steady and healthy increase. According to the financial statement the collections for the past two years have been $62,711.56, being $6,558.82 greater than the two previous years.

The Present Standing of Debt.

The debt two years ago was $63,058.28; including $500.00 of the Baughman Fund loaned to the Book Concern. The debt July 1, 1906 was $60,438.00, making a deduction of $2,600.00. Since this report was written $1,600.00 more was paid on this debt and the same amount will be paid during August. This is a good showing, and by practicing strict economy the debt can again be considerably reduced the coming two years.

German Professorship Fund.

Pursuant to the resolution of Synod $1,347.00 have been added to this fund during the past two years, which now makes the fund $3,215.00.

Baughman Fund.

This fund through the liberality of Rev. and Mrs. G. Baughman has again been increased $2,000.00 making the same $27,000.00. After this report was written Father Baughman notified the Treasurer that he would add another $1,000.00, making the total sum $28,000.00. This generous act on the part of Father Baughman and his estimable wife is surely worthy of notice by Synod.

Conclusion.

In concluding, I desire to express my thanks to President Schuette, and to the various officers of Synod, for many kindnesses shown me in conducting the affairs of this office, and to Synod for the confidence reposed in me for so many years.

Very truly yours,

F. J. HEER, *Treas.*

Financial Report.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand July 1, 1904		$3,365 83
Credits as per Kirchenzeitung	$62,711 56	
New loans (funds)	4,700 00	
Scholarship interest	478 50	
Baughman farm rent	430 00	
J. A. Schulze Fund, rent	430 00	
Interest, Bricker Fund	37 50	
Interest, Baughman Fund	100 00	
Notes refunded (B. F.)	500 00	
		$69,307 56
Total receipts		$72,673 39

DISBURSEMENTS.

Orphans' Home	$12,263 23	
Woodville Seminary	1,708 32	
Miscellaneous	1,126 56	
Interest	4,088 75	
Capital University	18,331 05	
Capital University — scholarship interest	3,152 18	
Hickory Seminary	2,000 00	
Printing and expressage	2,357 98	
C. H. L. Schuette, salary	3,600 00	
C. H. L. Schuette, expenses	266 12	
Notes cancelled	6,800 00	
Luther Seminary, St. Paul	6,772 87	
Old Folks' Home	2,400 00	
		$64,867 06
Balance on hand July 1, 1906		$7,806 33

Audited July 24, 1906, and found correct.

A. PFLUEGER,
GEO. K. LEONARD,
Auditing Committee.

Funds From Which the General Treasury Has Borrowed Money.

Statement July 1, 1906.

LOANS FROM SCHOLARSHIPS, FUNDS, ANNUITY NOTES, ETC.

Kamper Endowment Fund (C. U.)	$9,367 96
Kamper Endowment Fund (H. M.)	3,122 66
Kamper Endowment Fund (F. M.)	3,122 66
V. Weidner Fund (C. U.)	200 00
J. Hoerz Fund (C. U.)	300 00
H. Birch Fund (C. U.)	100 00
Urias Fink Fund	200 00
*German Lutheran Seminary — G. Baughman Fund	22,000 00
Tryphosa Heffner Fund (C. U.)	1,000 00
Tryphosa Heffner Fund (O. H.)	400 00
Mack Endowment Fund (C. U.)	200 00
Susanna Bricker Fund	300 00
J. Rush Fund (C. U.)	25 00
Frederick Fund (O. H.)	100 00
Frederick Fund (C. U.)	200 00
Poorman Fund (C. U.)	100 00
M. Wachendorf Fund (W. & O.)	300 00
M. Wachendorf Fund (C. U.)	700 00
M. Wachendorf Fund (H. M.)	50 00
Permberville Beneficiary Fund (C. U.)	500 00
Shaber Fund (O. H.)	100 00
Prof. E. Schmid Fund (C. U.)	2,000 00
F. Gehritz Fund (C. U.)	100 00
L. V. Fund (Annuity C. U.)	500 00
Woodville Seminary	1,000 00
W. C. Frechtling Fund (C. U.)	100 00
N. N. (V) Annuity Fund (C. U.)	3,000 00
N. N. (C. B.) Annuity Fund (C. U.)	1,000 00
H. Steinmeyer	800 00
Urias Fink	800 00
J. Koch	800 00
W. Sheatsley	800 00
J. Schwearer	800 00
J. D. Meyer	800 00
N. N. (J. F.)	800 00
G. A. Dobler	1,600 00
J. Nothstine	800 00
W. Scheid	800 00
W. F. Helle	400 00
Miscellaneous loans	1,650 00
Total	$60,938 28

*Besides this, a farm valued at $5,000.00 near Gahanna, belongs to this fund, making the Baughman Fund $27,000.00 on July 1, 1906.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SYNOD

From August 1, 1904, to July 23, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

1904.			
Aug.	1.	To balance in treasury	$1,391 91
	2.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht, (old account)	43 50
	5.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht, (old account)	53 44
	30.	To cash from Apportionment Fund	1 10
Nov.	21.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht, (old account)	5 93
Dec.	7.	To cash Concordia District, Mr. N. S. Dasher, (old account)	18 74
	7.	To cash Concordia District, Mr. N. S. Dasher	6 26
1905.			
Jan.	16.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth	50 00
	16.	To cash First Eng. District, Rev. C. W. Bachman.	125 00
Mar.	6.	To cash Northern District, Teach. G. Allwardt	75 00
	6.	To cash Kansas and Nebraska District, Rev. C. Dagefoerde	25 00
	13.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht	50 00
June	10.	To cash Minnesota District, Teach. H. Bammann	90 00
	19.	To cash Northern District, Teacher G. Allwardt	50 00
July	3.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht, (old account)	45 00
	7.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth	37 50
	12.	To cash, Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht, (old account)	65 77
	17.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht, (old account)	54 00
	25.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht	50 00
Aug.	3.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth	9 50
	3.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht,	37 50
Sept.	14.	To cash Northern District, Teacher G. Allwardt	200 00
Oct.	4.	To cash Northern District, Teacher G. Allwardt	50 00
	26.	To cash 1st English District, Rev. C. W. Bachman	100 00
Dec.	2.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht, (old account)	13 86
	2.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht	45 14
	4.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth	50 00
	21.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht	16 54
	23.	To cash Washington District, Rev. G. C. Fendler	25 00
1906.			
Jan.	10.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht	42 00

June	2.	To cash Washington District, Rev. G. C. Fendler..	25 00
	8.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht....	20 00
	9.	To cash Minnesota District, Teacher H. Bammann.	85 00
	11.	To cash Wisconsin District, Rev. Theo. Marth....	28 00
	16.	To cash Eastern District, Rev. C. F. W. Brecht..	137 50
	26.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht....	15 00
	28.	To cash Texas District, Rev. J. C. Felger.....	20 00
July	11.	To cash Western District, Rev. J. C. Schacht.....	176 32
	23.	To cash Concordia District, Mr. N. S. Dasher....	25 00
July	23.	Total Receipts	$3,359 51
July	23.	Total disbursements	2,802 95
July 23, 1906, balance in treasury.....			$556 56

DISBURSEMENTS.

1904.			
Aug.	1.	By cash to Rev. H. J. Reimann, voucher 1.....	$8 00
	2.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 2.....	4 80
	15.	By cash to Rev. J. C. Schacht, voucher 3.....	3 80
	30.	By cash to Dr. L. H. Schuh, voucher 4.....	3 25
	30.	By cash to Dr. Theo. Mees, voucher 5.....	3 40
	30.	By cash to Dr. H. A. Allwardt, voucher 6.....	12 50
	30.	By cash to Dr. H. A. Allwardt, voucher 7.....	9 50
	30.	By cash to Dr. F. W. Stellhorn, voucher 8.....	3 25
	30.	By cash to Dr. W. Steinmann, voucher 9.....	60 50
	30.	By cash to Prof. Wm. Schmidt, voucher 10.....	20 85
	30.	By cash to Prof. K. Hemminghaus, voucher 11....	3 25
	30.	By cash to Prof. E. Pfeiffer, voucher 12.....	3 25
	30.	By cash to Prof. W. D. Ahl, voucher 13.....	15 55
	30.	By cash to Prof. L. M. Hunt, voucher 14.....	40 00
	30.	By cash to Rev. C. H. Althoff, voucher 15.....	30
	30.	By cash to Rev. A. Krause, voucher 16.....	83 75
	30.	By cash to Rev. A. J. Feeger, voucher 17.....	6 50
	30.	By cash to Rev. A. R. Kuldell, voucher 18.....	1 60
	30.	By cash to Rev. A. R. Kuldell, voucher 19.....	7 50
	30.	By cash to Rev. E. A. Boehme, voucher 20.....	4 50
	30.	By cash to Rev. J. H. Reimann, voucher 21.....	8 00
	30.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, voucher 22.....	14 98
	30.	By cash to Dr. G. H. Schodde, voucher 23.....	3 00
	30.	By cash to Rev. C. J. L. Benzin, voucher 24.....	2 00
	30.	By cash to Rev. F. W. Gahre, voucher 25.....	30 50
	30.	By cash to Rev. R. Walter, voucher 26.....	3 20
	30.	By cash to Rev. Wm. H. Price, voucher 27.....	3 50
	30.	By cash to Rev. Wm. E. Schramm, voucher 28....	6 50
	30.	By cash to Teacher H. Zimmerman, voucher 29....	1 00
	30.	By cash to Rev. W. F. Helle, voucher 30.....	12 50
	30.	By cash to Teacher J. Stumpf, voucher 31.....	4 25

Aug.	30.	By cash to Mr. Phil. Hernstein, voucher 32.....	6 25
	30.	By cash to Messrs. Thomas & Grund, voucher 33..	1 00
	30.	By cash to Mr. Carl S. Beelman, voucher 34.....	4 30
	30.	By cash to Mr. C. Nagel, voucher 35.....	7 10
Sept.	13.	By cash to Prof. W. D. Ahl, voucher 36.....	25 00
	13.	By cash to Rev. W. H. Price, voucher 37.....	25 00
	13.	By cash to Rev. D. P. Ebert, voucher 38.....	1 40
	13.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, voucher 39.....	3 25
	18.	By cash to Teacher J. Stumpf, voucher 40.....	3 75
	19.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 41.....	4 95
	19.	By cash to Lutheran Book Concern, voucher 42..	500 00
	19.	By cash to Rev. J. D. Meyer, voucher 43.....	22 50
	29.	By cash to Rev. R. E. Golladay, voucher 44.....	17 00
Oct.	5.	By cash to Mr. J. Binkley, voucher 45.....	4 60
	5.	By cash to Teacher J. Stumpf, voucher 46.....	3 75
	5.	By cash to Teacher Phil. Gauff, voucher 47.....	5 00
	12.	By cash to Rev. J. H. W. Hoerr, voucher 48.....	3 00
	12.	By cash to Rev. W. E. Schramm, voucher 49.....	25 00
	22.	By cash to Rev. Wm. Ganschow, voucher 50.....	4 00
Nov.	2.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 51.....	9 50
	2.	By cash to Prof. G. K. Leonard, voucher 52.....	6 35
	21.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, voucher 53.....	23 16
Dec.	2.	By cash to Rev. Roebbelen, voucher 54.....	150 00
	6.	By cash to Rev. Wm. Ganschow, voucher 55.....	4 00
	10.	By cash to Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, voucher 56.....	3 90
	14.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, voucher 57.....	5 20
	14.	By cash to Rev. M. C. Hecht, voucher 58.....	5 75
	14.	By cash to Lutheran Book Concern, voucher 59...	186 16
	17.	By cash to Rev. E. A. Boehme, voucher 60.....	6 00
1905.			
Jan.	2.	By cash to Teacher J. Stumpf, voucher 61.....	7 50
	16.	By cash to Lutheran Book Concern, voucher 62...	125 00
	17.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 63.....	9 55
	17.	By cash to Mr. Fred Rogge, voucher 64.....	7 50
	17.	By cash to Dr. Henry Busch, voucher 65.....	7 00
Feb.	3.	By cash to Rev. G. Dillmann, voucher 66.....	4 05
	13.	By cash to Rev. Wm. F. Helle, voucher 67.....	10 50
	13.	By cash to Teacher J. Stumpf, voucher 68.....	3 75
	13.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 69.....	11 35
Mar.	1.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, voucher 70.....	11 53
	1.	By cash to Rev. Wm. Ganschow, voucher 71.....	4 00
	1.	By cash to Mr. C. Heseman, voucher 72.....	5 75
	9.	By cash to Rev. M. C. Hecht, voucher 73.....	8 25
	14.	By cash to Rev. L. M. Burry, voucher 74.....	5 00
	25.	By cash to Rev. D. P. Ebert, voucher 75.....	5 25
	25.	By cash to Dr. E. Cronenwett, voucher 76.....	7 75
	25.	By cash to Teacher J. Stumpf, voucher 77.....	3 75
	31.	By cash to Rev. H. G. Sutter, voucher 78.....	11 75

Apr.	12.	By cash to Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, voucher 79.....	3 90
	12.	By cash to Lutheran Book Concern, voucher 80....	50 00
	16.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 81.....	14 85
	17.	By cash to Teacher J. Stumpf, voucher 82.....	7 50
	17.	By cash to Rev. Wm. Ganschow, voucher 83.....	4 50
June	10.	By cash to Mrs. Cath. Lehman, voucher 84.....	100 00
	14.	By cash to Rev. W. F. Helle, voucher 85.....	7 00
	19.	By cash to Rev. J. Vollmar, voucher 86.....	10 00
	19.	By cash to Dr. H. A. Allwardt, voucher 87.....	19 00
	19.	By cash to Dr. H. A. Allwardt, voucher 88.....	10 50
	19.	By cash to Lutheran Book Concern, voucher 89....	25 00
July	12.	By cash to Mrs. Cath. Lehman, voucher 90.....	100 00
	18.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, voucher 91.....	10 63
	18.	By cash to Rev. Wm. Ganschow, voucher 92.....	8 00
	18.	By cash to Dr. H. Ernst, voucher 93.....	14 50
	18.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, voucher 94.....	5 55
	18.	By cash to Rev. E. A. Boehme, voucher 95.....	12 00
	18.	By cash to Rev. E. H. D. Winterhoff, voucher 96..	12 25
	31.	By cash to Rev. R. E. Golladay, voucher 97.....	17 00
Aug.	3.	By cash to Dr. H. A. Allwardt, voucher 98.....	9 50
	5.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 99.....	9 90
	10.	By cash to Teacher J. Stumpf, voucher 100.....	9 50
Sept.	5.	By cash to Rev. J. Vollmar, voucher 101.....	12 50
	5.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, voucher 102.....	4 50
	5.	By cash to Dr. H. Busch, voucher 103.....	6 25
	7.	By cash to Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, voucher 104.....	7 60
	24.	By cash to Rev. Wm. F. Helle, voucher 105.....	6 50
	24.	By cash to Teacher J. Stumpf, voucher 106.....	8 95
	30.	By cash to Rev. E. A. Boehme, voucher 107.....	12 00
	30.	By cash to Rev. M. C. Hecht, voucher 108.....	7 75
Oct.	4.	By cash to Rev. D. P. Ebert, voucher 109.....	6 00
	4.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, voucher 110.....	5 00
	9.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 111....	8 70
Nov.	2.	By cash to Rev. J. Vollmar, voucher 112.....	8 75
	2.	By cash to Rev. W. Ganschow, voucher 113.....	4 00
	2.	By cash to Teacher J. Stumpf, voucher 114.....	3 75
	10.	By cash to Mr. D. Heseman, voucher 115.....	6 85
	10.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 116....	4 95
	20.	By cash to Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, voucher 117....	3 50
	20.	By cash to Mr. Fred Rogge, voucher 118.....	8 10
	28.	By cash to Rev. P. Langendorff, voucher 119.....	4 00
Dec.	2.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, voucher 120.....	30 39
	5.	By cash to Rev. H. G. Sutter, voucher 121.....	7 50
	8.	By cash to Rev. E. H. D. Winterhoff, voucher 122..	11 50
	8.	By cash to Mr. H. Feermeyer, voucher 123.....	11 35
	19.	By cash to Rev. M. L. Baum, voucher 124.....	10 30
	21.	By cash to Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, voucher 125....	3 90
	23.	By cash to Dr. H. A. Allwardt, voucher 126.....	31 50

Dec. 27. 1906.	By cash to Rev. D. P. Ebert, voucher 127.....	2	80
Jan. 2.	By cash to Dr. E. Cronenwett, voucher 128.....	24	45
Feb. 4.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 129....	4	95
4.	By cash to Rev. L. H. Burry, voucher 130.....	10	30
4.	By cash to Rev. E. A. Boehme, voucher 131.....	12	00
22.	By cash to Dr. H. Busch, voucher 132.....	12	30
Mar. 1.	By cash to Dr. E. Cronenwett, voucher 133.....	8	00
14.	By cash to Rev. A. H. Dornbirer, voucher 134....	4	95
Apr. 18.	By cash to Teacher Carl Schaub, voucher 135....	2	25
18.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 136....	4	95
18.	By cash to Rev. D. P. Ebert, voucher 137.....	1	40
May 3.	By cash to Rev. G. Diemer, voucher 138.....	17	50
5.	By cash to Rev. W. F. Helle, voucher 139.....	7	20
June 15.	By cash to Rev. M. C. Hecht, voucher 140.....	11	60
16.	By cash to Dr. E. Cronenwett, voucher 141.....	9	00
16.	By cash to Rev. E. A. Boehme, voucher 142.....	7	20
16.	By cash to Rev. M. C. Hecht, voucher 143.....	7	30
16.	By cash to Rev. H. J. Reimann, voucher 144.....	4	50
16.	By cash to Rev. H. J. Reimann, voucher 145.....	4	00
16.	By cash to Rev. E. H. D. Winterhoff, voucher 146..	10	50
18.	By cash to Rev. R. C. H. Lenski, voucher 147....	4	50
29.	By cash to Rev. H. Eisenbach, voucher 148.....	9	95
July 5.	By cash to Rev. W. Ganschow, voucher 149.....	4	50
6.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 150....	4	30
6.	By cash to Teacher Carl Schaub, voucher 151.....	1	50
11.	By cash to Rev. J. Vollmar, voucher 152.....	7	25
13.	By cash to Teacher W. A. Trapp, voucher 153....	6	90
13.	By cash to Mrs. C. Lehman, voucher 154.....	200	00
	Total disbursements, July 13.....	$2,802	95

Balance due from Districts on Apportionment of the Joint Synod for 1904-1906 —

Concordia District	$18 74
Texas District	5 00
	$23 74

C. NAGEL, *Treasurer of Joint Synod.*

Springfield, Ohio, July 23, 1906.

Audited and found correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. H. W. HOERR,
GEO. K. LEONARD,
Committee.

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY.

Treasurer's Report.

To the President of Joint Synod:

The following is compiled from my two annual reports to the Capital University Board for the two years, beginning July 1, 1904 and ending June 30, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand July 1, 1904		$61 94
From General Treasurer, 1904-1905	$8,159 00	
General Treasurer, '05-'06	10,100 00	
		$18,259 00
Students, including Schol. Int., '04-'05	4,542 20	
Students, including Schol. Int., '05-'06	4,740 46	
		9,282 66
Interest on Permanent Funds, '04-'05	882 18	
Interest on Permanent Funds, '05-'06	897 17	
		1,779 35
Rents, 1904-1905	404 10	
Rents, 1905-1906	252 15	
		656 25
Gas, 1904-1905	290 30	
Gas, 1905-1906	160 05	
		450 35
Unclassified sources, 1904-1905	634 42	
Unclassified sources, 1905-1906	295 00	
		929 42
		$31,418 97

EXPENDITURES.

On salaries, 1904-1905	$11,532 00	
On salaries, 1905-1906	12,013 75	
		$23,545 75
Janitor and other labor, 1904-1905	264 27	
Janitor and other labor, 1905-1906	353 68	
		617 95
Improvements and repairs, '04-'05	851 47	
Improvements and repairs, '05-'06	958 63	
		1,810 10
Appropriation on closets, '05-'06	1,254 00	
		1,254 00
Supplies, 1904-1905	106 53	
Supplies, 1905-1906	229 45	
		335 98

Gas, 1904-1905	1,136 95		
Gas, 1905-1906	1,029 20		
		2,166 15	
Printing, 1904-1905	169 25		
Printing, 1905-1906	185 50		
		354 75	
Telephone, 1904-1905	46 40		
Telephone, 1905-1906	61 41		
		107 81	
Unclassified, 1904-1905	574 45		
Unclassified, 1905-1906	310 88		
		885 33	
			$31,077 82
Balance June 30, 1906			$341 15

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. K. LEONARD, *Asst. Treas.*

Audited and found correct,

JNO. BINCKLEY,
S. A. SINGER,
A. PFLUEGER. } *Auditing Committee.*

LUTHER SEMINARY, ST. PAUL, MINN.

Treasurer's Report.

In treasury July 1, 1904	$464 24
From Treasurer Heer	6,772 87
From students	2,894 88
	$10,131 88
Allowance by Synod (including fourth professor's salary)	$6,964 30
Received from Synod	6,772 87

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salary and rent —		
Dr. H. Ernst	$2,492 00	
Prof. W. Schmidt	2,000 00	
Prof. W. Witte	1,200 00	
Prof. W. Fiebke	698 62	
Prof. H. K. G. Doermann	464 30	
Tutors	170 00	
		$7,024 92

Library	200 00
Music, instrumental and vocal	200 00
Fuel	607 99
Telephone (1 year)	48 00
Janitor	500 00
Repairs, painting, etc.	1,146 99
Insurance for 3 years	176 00
	$9,903 90
In treasury	227 98
	$10,131 88

WANTED FOR NEXT TWO YEARS.

Salary and rent	$7,752 00
Janitor	500 00
Repairs, painting, etc.	800 00
Coal	625 00
Library	200 00
Music, vocal and instrumental	200 00
Telephone	96 00
	$10,173 00
Tuition etc., about	2,900 00
Allowance asked	$7,273 00

WM. SCHMIDT, *Treas.*

ST. PAUL'S PREPARATORY SCHOOL, HICKORY, N. C.

Treasurer's Report.

July 11, 1904 to July 15, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

1904.			
July 11.	To balance	$447 00	
	To cash, F. J. Heer*	1,862 10	
	To cash, house rent	107 92	
	To cash, tuition	5 75	
	To cash, fodder and corn	17 45	
			$2,440 22

*$137.90 was sent July 1, but was miscarried through the mails. This has been sent and the total amount of $2,000.00 was given Hickory Seminary.

EXPENDITURES.

July 15.	By cash, building and loan	$596 25	
	By cash, Prof. J. E. Barb	907 23	
	By cash, Prof. L. M. Hunt	276 31	
	By cash, Prof. J. H. W. Hoerr	120 00	
	By cash, Rev. F. E. H. Besel, interest	43 80	
	By cash, repairs and painting building.	222 10	
	By cash, wood	20 00	
	By cash, sundries	21 32	
			$2,207 01
1906.			
July 16.	To balance		$233 21

LIABILITIES.

Building and loan	$541 25	
Rev. F. E. H. Besel, note	365 00	
Rev. F. E. H. Besel, interest	14 24	
Resources from Treas. F. J. Heer		$137 90
	$920 49	$371 11

N. M. NEWTON, *Treas.*

WERNLE ORPHAN HOME, RICHMOND, IND.

Treasurer's Report.

RICHMOND, IND., July 10, 1906.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

DEAR BRETHREN: — I herewith submit to you for your consideration my statement of receipts and expenditures as Treasurer of the Wernle Orphan Home from July 12, 1904, to July 10, 1906.

Balance in treasury July 10, 1904	$423 17	
Received from Rev. Beck	12,510 38	
		$12,933 55
Salary	$3,886 53	
Groceries, bread and meat	2,370 26	
Drygoods and clothing	901 83	
Shoes and shoe leather	377 53	
Coal	1,196 88	
Blacksmithing, harness and repairs on wagon	265 00	
Farm implements and hardware	412 22	
Hay, corn and Feed	452 89	

Plumbing and other repairing	785 73	
Telephone	65 00	
Insurance, interest and taxes	299 30	
Books and stationery	117 06	
Queensware	156 35	
Coal oil	85 31	
Potatoes and seeds	196 30	
Mattresses and furniture	118 55	
Lumber	162 51	
Stock and fertilizer	222 56	
Medical services and medicine	313 73	
Drain tile	98 12	
Incidentals	90 38	
		$12,574 04
Balance in treasury July 10, 1906		$359 51

1905.

Received from Rev. Beck, Orphan Feast money, June 8		$1,606 58
Irvin Reed & Son, windmill and tank	$784 80	
Excavating, brick and tile	104 80	
Well drilling	161 90	
School furniture	126 30	
Repairs on farm house	87 88	
Piping laundry and house, for fire protection	340 90	
		$1,606 38

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. SCHULTZ, *Treas.*

WERNLE ORPHANS' HOME.

Financial Secretary's Report.

July 1, 1904 to July 1, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury July 1, 1904	$18 93
From General Treasurer	12,263 23
From garden and farm	343 32
From house expense fund	251 25
From sale of Home Histories	58 59
From donations	16 25
Interest	930 47
Total	$13,882 04

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid J. J. Schultz, treasurer	$12,510 23
Paid on school house debt	1,214 00
Paid to Buschmann endowment fund	10 00
Total	$13,734 23

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts	$13,882 04
Disbursements	13,734 38
In treasury	$147 66

HOUSE FUND.

Receipts	$910 49
Disbursements	865 52

SCHOOL HOUSE DEBT.

Debt July 1, 1904	$1,914 00
Notes cancelled	1,214 00
	$700 00

Of the above debt $500.00 is in a life note drawing 6 per cent. interest, and at the death of the testator is given to the Home.

MONUMENT FUND.

Amount in this fund	$214 00

ENDOWMENT FUND.

Frederick Fund	$100 00
Heffner Fund	400 00
Love Fund	6,408 58
Buschmann Fund	500 00
Herzog Fund	1,000 00
Vocke Fund	250 00
Vollmar Fund	250 00
Stiffler Fund	246 00
Total	$9,154 58

FOR WIND PUMP, TANK AND PLUMBING.

Proceeds of two festivals	$1,606 58
Paid Treasurer Schultz	1,606 58

FOR NEW BUILDING AT WERNLE HOME.

Collection by Rev. W. E. Arnholt	$35 00
Collection by Rev. A. Ebert	10 00
Collection by Rev. P. A. Peter	11 00
Proceeds of the last festival	750 32
	$806 32

Respectfully,
J. Beck, *Financial Sec.*

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN HOME, MARS, PA.

Treasurer's Report.

July 26th, 1904, to July 27th, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Balance July 26, 1904	$8,316 84	
From General Treasury	2,400 00	
From Anniversary	439 16	
Interest	326 63	
For Building Fund	29 50	
Collections	1,235 90	
For Rev. Molthan's funeral	36 00	
For Children's Home	385 54	
Entrance fees	1,857 25	
Boarding	731 25	
From inmates, on deposit	1,108 85	
Sundries	57 77	
		$16,924 69

EXPENDITURES.

At Anniversary	$129 98
Repairs	522 86
Insurance	206 25
Improvements	1,406 13
Mary J. Drexel Home	600 00
Furniture	278 74
Household	2,383 08
Salary	145 00
Labor	382 01
Light and fuel	413 75
Tuition	42 50
Money refunded to inmates	186 00
Doctor bill	43 60

Funerals	101 00	
Sundries	266 21	
		$7,107 11
Gross balance		$9,817 58

ASSETS.

Cash as above	$9,817 58

LIABILITIES.

To Children's Home	$6,441 81	
To inmates, money on deposit	1,512 87	
		$7,954 68
Net balance		$1,862 90

CHRISTIAN ZIES, *Treas.*

PASTORS' AND TEACHERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Treasurer's Report.

Balance in treasury July 12, 1904	$261 77
Total receipts to July 20, 1906	7,155 07
Total	$7,416 84
Expenditures during same period of time	6,523 75
Balance in treasury July, 1906	$893 09

The following persons received support—

Mrs. L. Hummel, Castroville, Texas	$125 00
Rev. C. Meyer, Afton, Minn	200 00
Rev. W. Buehring, Blue Island, Ill	125 00
Teacher C. B. Gaertner, Toledo, Ohio	150 00
Mrs. J. Stumpf, Fort Wayne, Ind	200 00
Mrs. S. Hohls, New Rochester, Ohio	200 00
Mrs. Anna Ebert, Allegheny, Pa	200 00
Mrs. Theresa Huebner, Detroit, Mich	150 00
Mrs. J. H. Behrens, Detroit, Mich	200 00
Mrs. Anna Widmann, Columbus, Ohio	150 00
Mrs. Fr. Zur Muehlen, Dayton, Ohio	150 00
Mrs. Johanna Lange, St. Paul, Minn	50 00
Mrs. Augusta Wolff, Mapleton, Minn	125 00
Rev. em. W. M. Sibert, Brandywine, W. Va	175 00
Rev. em. J. L. Hunt, Newton, N. C	100 00
Rev. em. F. W. A. Liefeldt, Waverly, Iowa	200 00
Rev. G. T. Cooperrider, Columbus, Ohio	400 00

Mrs. Elizabeth Hunziker, Reading, Ohio	150 00
Mrs. C. H. Rohe, Columbus, Ohio	100 00
Rev. em. H. Wilert, Grove City, Ohio	175 00
Mrs. Louise Gebhardt, Bucyrus, Ohio	80 00
Mrs. Christine Deiss, Detroit, Mich	150 00
Rev. H. Bock, West Depere, Wis	200 00
Mrs. E. Knorr, Buffalo Lake, Minn	200 00
Rev. em. J. O. Hoffmann, Lima, Ohio	125 00
Mrs. Ida Linsemann, Galion, Ohio	175 00
Rev. em. C. Molthan, and wife, Mars, Pa	275 00
Mrs. Ada Reiner, Creston, Ohio	100 00
Mrs. F. W. Damrow, Burlington, Wis	200 00
Mrs. A. H. Wendt, St. Paul, Minn	200 00
Rev. em. A. Vockrodt, Aurora, Ill	145 00
Rev. em. A. F. W. Gebhard, Wausau, Wis	200 00
Rev. A. Horn, Weber, Wash	50 00
Mrs. M. E. Swinehart, Columbus, Ohio	100 00
Rev. em. P. H. Holtermann, Mt. Olive, Ill	75 00
Mrs. Susan Carter, Baltimore, Md	175 00
Rev. F. J. Theimer, Colby, Kan	150 00
Mrs. E. G. Tressel, Columbus, Ohio	150 00
Mrs. W. M. Kibler, Baltimore, Md	150 00
Mrs. Alwine Witte, Beach Ridge, N. Y	125 00
Teacher J. F. Bergener, Columbus, Ohio	50 00
Rev. Jos. Schmalenbach, Pemberville, Ohio	50 00
Rev. I. J. Rod, Ruskin, Neb	25 00

J. BAUCH, *Treas.*

HOME MISSIONS.

Treasurer's Report.

August 1, 1904 to July 1, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Balance August 1, 1904	$193 72
Contributions	36,990 08
Interest of Kamper Fund	374 72
Interest of Wachendorf Fund	6 00
Other interest	124 70
Various receipts	114 10
New loans	7,560 00
Total	$45,363 32

Audited July 16, 1906, and found correct.

A. PFLUEGER,
C. W. BACHMAN,
Auditing Committee.

DISBURSEMENTS.

1. *Salaries, Moving and Traveling Expenses of Missionaries.*

Rev. J. C. Abs	$116 51
Rev. A. Affeld	720 78
Rev. H. Appel	220 81
Rev. C. Bachman	162 47
Rev. C. Bartels	473 03
Rev. F. Beiswenger	16 66
Rev. A. F. W. Benzin	378 68
Rev. R. Bergfeld	211 63
Rev. A. C. Berlin	152 10
Rev. E. Berthold	378 63
Rev. C. D. Besch	116 62
Rev. F. H. Besel	399 96
Rev. W. Boritzki	490 07
Rev. C. Buechler	575 00
Rev. E. Butz	168 02
Rev. J. F. Christiansen	541 25
Rev. L. Coffman	272 87
Rev. J. B. Cronek	208 96
Rev. J. Derhammer	416 60
Rev. J. Doescher	645 00
Rev. J. F. Doescher	137 71
Prof. H. K. G. Doermann	137 50
Rev. H. Drews	160 15
Rev. L. Drews	68 75
Rev. F. I. Duerr	45 83
Rev. A. Eberle	605 79
Rev. P. Elsel	171 76
Rev. L. Feistner	100 00
Rev. J. C. Felger	746 87
Rev. A. Fiebelkorn	571 37
Rev. C. D. Fischer	170 64
Rev. H. Fischer, for his congregation	183 32
Rev. H. Flathmann	451 00
Rev. C. Freseman	129 14
Rev. N. Frueh	188 32
Rev. G. Gehrke	605 00
Rev. E. A. Giesel	212 03
Rev. A. F. Gillmann	627 60
Rev. E. H. Gillmann	191 65
Rev. A. F. Graebner	259 35
Rev. R. J. Graetz	383 24
Rev. W. N. Harley	299 97
Rev. G. Haas	75 00
Rev. E. Haase	191 60
Rev. M. C. Hecht for Dayton Mission	366 59

Rev. H. Hofhenke	277 25
Rev. W. Hohberger	331 40
Rev. D. R. Honn	105 00
Rev. A. Horn	512 40
Rev. L. G. Jacobs	687 47
Rev. G. Janzig	91 65
Rev. O. Just	66 65
Rev. H. W. Kahre	45 00
Rev. W. L. Keller	958 23
Rev. W. F. H. Kerl	170 15
Rev. W. M. Kibler	133 30
Rev. K. Kilian	58 32
Rev. D. Kosche	91 65
Rev. J. O. Krueger	348 89
Rev. O. Kubitz	670 78
Rev. J. C. Lange	824 20
Rev. W. C. Lembke	164 18
Rev. L. Lindoerfer	125 00
Rev. G. Loewenstein, for school	400 00
Rev. G. W. Lose	374 98
Rev. F. Meineke	449 06
Rev. A. Merz	183 62
Mr. Phil Metz, for Castle Shannon, Pa	20 83
Rev. C. E. Michaelis	126 65
Rev. J. Mittermaier, for student	50 00
Rev. S. H. Mollenauer	958 24
Rev. P. Mueller	128 85
Rev. Ph. Muench	563 71
Rev. J. Oberhammer	1,051 66
Rev. J. Oelkers	22 57
Rev. J. F. Oertel	225 00
Rev. G. F. Pauschert	735 00
Rev. C. H. Pence	169 65
Rev. The. Petersen	173 34
Prof. E. Pfeiffer, for St. Luke's Mission	211 14
Rev. G. A. Pilgrim	81 00
Rev. C. Pohlmann	320 82
Rev. S. H. Puffenberger	183 32
Rev. J. H. Rexrode	24 99
Rev. H. Rieke	91 66
Rev. J. B. Ringle	216 61
Rev. J. Rod	118 66
Rev. A. H. Schaefer	374 94
Rev. G. Schaub	108 29
Rev. A. C. Schiff	460 00
Rev. B. F. Schillinger	526 95
Rev. P. D. Schillinger	189 98
Rev. C. Schink	575 86

Rev. E. Schipmann	221 88
Rev. W. Schmidt	91 64
Rev. J. Schroeder	453 83
Rev. E. Schulz	524 98
Rev. W. F. Seeger, for his congregation	80 00
Rev. W. Seidel	33 32
Rev. O. Sitzler	24 99
Rev. D. E. Snapp	100 00
Rev. A. Spring	279 96
Rev. G. B. Tejan	260 91
Rev. H. Thedinga	237 46
Rev. F. J. Theimer	385 00
Rev. O. Tressel	258 33
Rev. J. J. Vollmar	99 96
Rev. J. Voss	95 76
Rev. C. J. Waltner	620 78
Rev. G. Wenning	86 20
Rev. O. Wolff	237 46
Rev. J. Zaetschky	333 25
Rev. A. D. Zell	170 88
Rev. J. Zentner	133 30
Rev. W. Zimmermann	240 00
Traveling and moving expenses of missionaries	1,279 73

2. *Expenses to Other Persons who Rendered Services.*

Rev. W. Asall, traveling expenses	$4 00
Rev. J. Beck, traveling expenses	3 30
Student L. O. Burry	100 00
Rev. W. F. Helle	25 00
Student W. F. H. Kerl	37 33
Student F. J. Klein	11 46
Student O. Mackensen	100 00
Rev. C. Meyer	25 00
Rev. F. Pohlmann, traveling expenses	10 00
Dr. C. H. L. Schuette, traveling expenses	40 00
Student Geo. Spohr	158 23
Student O. E. Swinehart	33 33

3. *Expenses of Mission Board.*

Lutheran Book Concern for liturgies, money barrels, etc.	$1,067 41
Traveling expenses	152 32
Recording legal documents, etc.	18 85
Secretary's salary	191 66
Treasurer's salary	191 66
Stationery	16 71
Postage	48 52
Janitor	10 00

Substitutes for members of board	4 50
Box rent	6 00

4. *Various Expenses.*

Loans cancelled	$8,560 00
Interest on loans of Building Board	184 20
Interest on loans of Mission Treasury	165 04
Part of contribution refunded at request of sender	13 00
Mr. Waydeman, attorney, Washington, D. C.	50 00
Total disbursements	$46,001 87

Total disbursements		$46,001 87
Total receipts		45,363 32
Account overdrawn		$638 55
Indebtedness August 1, 1904		$3,200 00
Indebtedness July 1, 1906—		
Loans	$2,200 00	
Deficit	638 55	
		2,838 55
Reduction of debt		$361 45

Missionaries' salaries are paid to July 1, 1906.

PAUL F. HEIN, *Treas.*

Station C., Columbus, Ohio, July 11, 1906.

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Treasurer's Report.

Amount of fund, July 15, 1904, (See Joint Synod Min. 1904)		$36,658 04
New Receipts since July 15, 1904—		
Contributions	$7,242 18	
Interest	189 24	
		7,431 42
		$44,089 46
Less expenses of fund		326 83
Amount in fund July 1, 1906		$43,762 63

MONEYS REFUNDED SINCE JULY 15, 1904.

Detroit, Mich. (Christ Cong.)	$402 55
Chicago, Ill. (Faith Cong.)	1,300 00
South Kaukauna, Wis.	10 00
Avalon, Pa.	320 00
Dallas, N C.	40 00
Salem, Ore.	150 00
Coraopolis, Pa.	800 00
Lamberton, Minn.	180 00
Washington, D. C. (St. Matthew's)	50 00
Osceola, Renville Co., Minn	57 00
Balfour, N. Dak	100 00
Detroit, Mich. (Grace Mission)	50 00
Lanark, Wis.	61 10
Portland, Ore. (St. Paul's)	400 00
Detroit, Mich. (Good Hope Cong.)	40 00
Spokane, Wash. (First English)	458 58
Crookston, Minn.	165 00
Mountain Lake, Minn	75 00
Gladwin, Mich.	50 00
Odessa, Wash.	15 00
Marion, Ind.	100 00
Kansas City, Mo.	190 00
New Waterford, Ohio	200 00
Total refunded	$5,214 23

The following congregations hold funds of this treasury:

Alpena, Mich.	$214 89
Astoria, Oregon	500 00
Avalon, Pa.	480 00
Baltimore, Md. (St. James')	104 32
Baltimore, Md. (Faith)	400 00
Brookfield, Minn.	200 00
Canton, Ohio (Zion's)	304 30
Chicago, Ill. (Grace Cong.)	1,850 00
Chicago, Ill. (Faith)	3,046 90
Cleveland, Ohio	289 83
Columbus, Ohio (St. Peter's)	2,035 40
Columbus, Ohio (St. Matthew's)	2,000 00
Columbus, Ohio (St. Luke's)	1,000 00
Crookston, Minn.	35 00
Colfax, Wash.	300 00
Castle Rock, Wash	200 00
Dayton, Ohio (Christ Cong.)	325 00
Dayton, Ohio (Mission in East Dayton)	450 00
Detroit, Mich. (Grace)	1,300 00

Dallas, N. C.	40 00
Denver, Colo.	500 00
Dickinson, N. Dak.	80 00
Franklin, Ohio	500 00
Hancock, Minn.	500 00
Kalama, Wash.	195 00
Kansas City, Mo.	2,700 00
South Kaukauna, Wis.	347 84
Knoxville, Tenn.	383 20
Lamberton, Minn.	60 00
Lanark, Wis.	191 65
Louise Bridge, Man. Can.	300 00
Madison, Wis.	1,300 00
Martins Ferry, Ohio	500 00
Merrill, Wis.	30 00
Minot, N. Dak.	200 00
Mountain Lake, N. Dak.	525 00
Moench, Rev. A.	4 00
Odessa, Wash.	285 00
Oregon City, Ore.	500 00
Olympia, Wash.	1,700 00
Portland, Ore. (St. John's)	1,008 27
Portland, Ore. (St. Paul's)	200 00
Pontiac, Mich.	217 00
Renville Co., Minn. (Osceola)	68 00
Rising Sun, Del.	500 00
Salem, Ore.	300 00
Shenandoah Co., Va.	16 90
Spokane, Wash.	6,718 22
San Antonio, Texas	2,800 00
Tacoma, Wash.	129 55
North Tonawanda, N. Y.	1,471 50
Titonka, Iowa	500 00
Winnipeg, Canada	750 00
Washington, D. C. (St. Matthew's)	1,000 00
Monessen, Pa.	500 00
Malcolm, N. Dak.	300 00
Meyer, Mrs. A., note	100 00
Total in notes and securities	$42,456 77
Cash in treasury*	1,305 86
Total in fund to date	$43,762 63

The Board now suggests to Synod that the following amounts be deducted from the total amount of money in the fund:

*All of this balance in treasury has been voted to various congregations in new loans.

From the debt of Spokane First Cong., as per special committees report	$312 00
The Mrs. A. Meyer note	100 00
The Alex. Moench note	4 00
The Merrill, Wis. note	30 00
Total	$446 00

Respectfully submitted to your Honorable Body,

PAUL F. HEIN,
JACOB SCHNEIDER,
A. PFLUEGER,
W. L. SPIELMAN,
J. C. SCHACHT,
C. W. BACHMAN.

Audited and found correct as per treasurer's books.

A. PFLUEGER,
C. W. BACHMAN,
Auditing Committee.

JEWISH MISSION.

Treasurer's Report.

July 19, 1904 to July 20, 1906.

Balance on hand July 19, 1904		$1,120 41
Receipts July 19, 1904 to July 20, 1906		1,899 11
		$3,019 52

EXPENDITURES.

Salary, Rev. A. R. Kuldell	$575 00	
Salary, Rev. Jno. Legum	680 00	
Literature for distribution	185 33	
Postage and freight	65 80	
Rent of rooms for Mission, 13 months	104 00	
Aid for converts	148 25	
Sundry expenses, car and railroad fare, etc.	159 41	
12 volumes Jewish Encyclopedia, property of the Board	84 00	
		2,001 79
Balance on hand July 20, 1906		$1,017 73

Respectfully submitted,

OTTO F. MAYER, *Treasurer.*

O. S. OGLESBY, *Chairman,*
C. V. SHEATSLEY, *Secretary,*
OTTO F. MAYER, *Treasurer,*
A. R. KULDELL, *Missionary.*

GYMNASIUM AND AUDITORIUM FUND.

Report of the Treasurer.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 12, 1906.

To the Board of Trustees of Capital University, Gentlemen:

RECEIPTS.

The total amount of money received from subscriptions to the Gymnasium and Auditorium Fund by me from Dr. Schuh have been	$9,618 36
Interest received from banks until money was paid out	100 68
Amount received from Prof. Geo. K. Leonard, Treasurer, toward subscription to Auditorium bath room	900 00
Received from Geo. K. Leonard, Treasurer, (as a loan) $1,600 for which our notes have been given as follows: February 1, 1906, for 6 months at 5% per annum for $800; February 19, 1906, for 1 year at 5% per annum for $800	1,600 00
These notes were signed by Dr. L. H. Schuh, President, and John J. Schwartz, Treasurer.	
Total receipts	$12,218 98

On May 5, 1906, we paid on note of February 19, 1906, $400 leaving a balance of $1,200 that we owe Geo. K. Leonard, Treasurer. The original allowance for building bath room, etc., also to include toilet arrangements in recitation hall and boarding house being $1,500 of which only $1,100 has been turned over to us, leaves a balance of $400 due us from Mr. Geo. K. Leonard, Treasurer. On receipt of this, same will be turned back to him that will reduce our indebtedness to $800 and accrued interest.

EXPENDITURES.

Total expenditures to date, covering on contracts on building the auditorium proper, equals	$10,273 03
Equipment of building, to date, including ditch digging, plumbing, gas fitting, stoves, auditorium chairs, lighting the building	1,545 95
Paid on our note of February 19, 1906	400 00
Total expenditures	$12,218 98

Which equals our total expenditures and includes all bills against the auditorium, and making our indebtedness of practically about $800 to our Treasurer, Geo. K. Leonard, all of which will soon be paid, through the unpaid subscriptions to the Auditorium Building Fund. The

President and the Treasurer would be pleased if the chair would appoint an auditing committee to make the proper audits and hereby submit all vouchers with this report. Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. SCHWARTZ, *Treas.*

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY,
COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 22, 1906.

The books of the Treasurer have been examined and found correct, and the results as recorded in this report agree therewith.

GEO. K. LEONARD,
S. A. SINGER,
Auditing Committee.

FINANCE.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

1. Inasmuch as the salaries paid by Synod to its professors are entirely disproportionate to their position and the cost of living at the present day, we recommend —

a. A general increase of salary. Our suggestion is that the minimum salary of a college professor be fixed at $1,000, that after five years an increase of $100 be granted, and after five years more another increase of a like sum, $1,200 to constitute the maximum salary of a college professor;

b. That the minimum salary of a theological professor be fixed at $1,200, that the incumbent of a theological chair be entitled to an increase of salary amounting to one hundred dollars after each five years, until the maximum of $1,500 shall have been attained;

c. That the teachers at Proseminaries and those at our Normal School shall rank as College professors while the head of the Normal School shall be entitled to the same pay as a professor of Theology;

d. Nothing in this report is to be construed as a proposition on the part of this committee to limit the salary of a college president to that of an ordinary professor.

2. We express gratification at the showing made by our General Treasurer and no less at that of our General President, in as far as his office has a bearing upon the financial status of Synod. With $261,485 being paid in or pledged for endowments and scholarships, largely through the instrumentality of the man who for twelve years has acceptably presided over the activities of our body, we suggest, that, in view of the satisfactory progress of our finances, irrespective of the other pre-eminent qualifications of Dr. Schuette for the General Presidency, Synod would stand in its own light, did it fail to exert all means at its disposal to re-elect the present incumbent, and to bear down his opposition to the Synod's wishes in the premises.

3. We desire to make special mention of the high degree of devotion on the part of Bro. Baughman and his wife who

have given to Synod to date the sum of $28,000 for the endowment of a theological chair, and three scholarships, and contemplate increasing this sum. We suggest that Synod give expression to its appreciation of such loyalty by a vote of thanks.

4. Since, owing to an unfavorable combination of circumstances the debts specified in the report of the Mission Board on pages 56 and 57 can not be collected, we propose that they be stricken from the ledger.

5. Upon the request of the Board of the Luther Seminary at St. Paul, Minn., we propose that the $300, which to the present has been paid by the Home Mission Board to Prof. H. K. G. Doermann, from this forward be paid out of the General Treasury.

6. With respect to our Home for the Aged at Mars, Pa., we point out a financial irregularity. This institution has been permitted to receive direct contributions regardless of the usual channels provided by Synod for the collection and disbursement of funds. We recommend that henceforth all offerings for the Home at Mars go through the hands of the General Treasurer and that an appropriation of $1,800 be granted.

7. Inasmuch as the several districts of Synod have grown in an unequal ratio since the apportionment obtaining at present went into effect, we recommend a readjustment of apportionment for the Synodical Treasury. We propose the appointment of Mr. Nagel and Dr. Schuette for this purpose, this committee to be directed to use its judgment with reference to the request of the Texas District for reduction of its quota.

8. Your committee finds that no rules have been established for the guidance of the Board of Administration. We recommend the adoption by Synod of the appended rules for the guidance of said board for the next two years, when they may be adopted as permanent constitution.

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION.

The following *constitutional provisions* for the government of this Board were placed before Synod:—

SEC. 1. *The Object* of this Board shall be to hold in charge all properties, both personal and real, placed in trust with the Evangelical

Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States, for use in one or the other departments of its work.

Sec. 2. *Its Membership* shall be composed of the President of Joint Synod, ex-officio, and of four persons appointed or elected by said Synod. To this may be added two or more advisory members. The term of office shall be four years, two members to be chosen at the regular sessions of Synod.

Sec. 3. *The Organization* of the Board shall be effected by the election of a chairman, a secretary, and a treasurer, the term of office to be two years. The officers named shall constitute the executive committee of the Board; and, upon direction of the Board, execute all legal documents.

Sec. 4. *The Powers and Duties* of this Board shall be: to make safe and profitable investments of all funds entrusted to it, to distribute the interest derived from such investments as also the rents from real estate, among the treasuries of Synod in accordance with the purpose stipulated respectively by the donors of the properties handled. To this end this Board shall be, and is herewith authorized by the Synod aforesaid to acquire and to dispose of realty, to effect loans, buy and sell notes, bonds and stocks, and thus be vested with full authority to manage all assets at its disposal to the best possible advantage.

Sec. 5. *Financially liable* for any losses that may occur, this Board shall not be held except in cases of inexcusable carelessness or for actions of bad faith.

Sec. 6. *The Books* of this Board shall be open for inspection to any member of Synod, clerical or lay, at all times.

Sec. 7. *Meetings* shall be held at least twice a year, and as often more as the business of the Board may require. The chairman or any two members shall have authority to call for extra sessions.

Sec. 8. *The Expenses* necessarily incurred by the members of the Board, such as mileage, etc., shall be defrayed from the proceeds of the funds in hand.

Sec. 9. *Reports* by the Board shall be submitted to Synod at every regular session of the latter Body.

Respectfully,

C. H. L. Schuette,
Jno. Binckley
John J. Schwartz.

TREASURY REPORT.

a.) J. A. Schulze Estate—

Cash in hand August 15, 1904.....	$172 40	
Cash by rents August, 1904, to Aug, 1906, net	1,345 53	
Total, August 15, 1906.....		$1,517 93

Expended —		
By annuity to Mrs. J. A. S.....	$480 00	
By transfer to General Institution Treasury.	580 00	
By taxes, etc.....	300 75	
Total expenditures August, 1904, to August, 1906		$1,360 75
Cash balance August 15, 1906.....		157 18
		$1,517 93
b.) Austin Cooperrider Estate —		
Receipts by settlements of estate up to August 15, 1904.....	$20,040 46	
Received by settlement August, 1904, to August, 1906	1,804 60	
Received by interest.....	1,771 30	
Total receipts August 15, 1906.....		$23,616 36
Expended, August 15, 1904.....	$1,175 77	
To Church Building Fund.....	1,450 00	
To Mrs. O. B. annuity.....	500 00	
To Miscellaneous	25 92	
To investments, by interest bearing loans..	20,400 00	
Total, by expenditures and investments August 15, 1906.....		$23,551 69
Cash balance to date.....		64 67
		$23,616 36

In addition to the above I hold notes to the amount of about $2,200.00 belonging to same estate; and there are annuities of $3,000.00 for the benefit of our institution at Columbus.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. L. SCHUETTE.

Audited and found correct.

H. K. G. DOERMANN,
THEO. MARTH.

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9. Pertaining to the appropriations for the different institutions of Synod, we recommend that the following sums be granted:

a) For Capital University.....	$10,500
b) For Luther Seminary, St. Paul.....	4,000
c) For Normal School, Woodville, Ohio.....	3,300
And for the first year for necessary instruments and other helps	600

d) For Wernle Orphans' Home	5,500
e) For Hickory, when reopened	1,600
f) For St. John's Lutheran Home	1,800
g) For Home Missions	26,000

10. We request the Synodical Treasurer, henceforth to supply this committee with vouchers, when he hands over his books for auditing. In regard to the Normal School Board we advise that their report be audited by a special committee. Other wise everything is in order.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Items 1, a, b, c, d were adopted. Item 1, d was interpreted to mean that the salary of a college President can be determined by the respective Board. In this connection it was resolved that all special cases pertaining to the salaries of different persons be referred to the Finance Committee for adjustment.

Items 2-7 adopted.

Item 8 was adopted with the understanding that the proposed rules be in force until the next meeting of Joint Synod.

Item 9, a-g and also item 10 were adopted.

A. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

REPORT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE.

1. With our honorable president we thank God that our cherished Synod has steadily pressed forward to a clear Lutheran consciousness and more and more firmly intrenched itself in this position. Let us, however, in these days of thanksgiving and joy not be wanting in resoluteness of purpose to preserve inviolate the precious heritage bequeathed to us by our fathers. In doing this we must not forget those whose struggles achieved these treasures for us. And as our worthy President has directed especial attention to his theological preceptor, the sainted Prof. Rev. W. F. Lehmann, it certainly is very desirable that one of his former pupils should propose a suitable biography of him. Let mention also be made of such among the many faithful laborers, who with him, and since his day, have devoted their abilities and strength to the service of Synod.

2. We agree with our worthy president that every higher and lower school must rest on the firm ground of the divine Word to fulfill its proper mission, and this we as Synod must hold fast if we would grow and prosper.

3. Hence we at this juncture express our joy at the reopening of our Normal School at Woodville, that men may be trained to preside over our parochial schools. May the consciousness more and more dawn on the conviction of our congregations, that parochial schools are a necessity for the permanence of our congregations as well as of Synod.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Item A 1 was adopted and Dr. E. Cronenwett was appointed to write a series of articles in the Standard on the Life and Labors of Prof. W. F. Lehmann and Rev. A. W. Werder in the Kirchenzeitung.

Item A 2 adopted. Also item A 3.

In this connection the importance of establishing parochial schools was earnestly emphasized. For our Church in this land,

they are a great necessity, as it is important in this land of sects that our children be thoroughly grounded in the Word of God. Without such congregational schools many would be lost to our Church. The fact was also stated that conditions in the West are more favorable to parochial schools than in the East. Considerable prejudice to parochial schools in the East is due to many unfortunate mistakes made in the past in the selection of good teachers. To remove this prejudice requires time.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DISTRICTS, CONFERENCES AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS.

WESTERN DISTRICT.

To the Honorable, the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

I. FROM THE MINUTES OF 1905:

2. We recognize that our theological seminary at Columbus, Ohio, is not supplied with a sufficient teaching force in order to offer our students a systematic training, such as is desired, since our four theological professors are also compelled to instruct in the college. We therefore propose that Joint Synod be requested to discuss (a) whether it is not perhaps advisable so to change the office of our general president as to enable him at the same time to be a professor in our seminary.

(b) That the office of president and house-father of Capital University be divided and the offices thus resulting be entrusted to two different men.

3. We share the conviction of the president that the salaries of our professors are insufficient and, therefore, request Joint Synod to thoroughly consider the salary question in as far as it pertains to our professors, and to make a new adjustment of the same.

4. We ask if it would not be advisable (a) for the general treasurer to explain somewhat more clearly and fully, in connection with his report, the general standing of the synodical treasury, also (b) that the President of Joint Synod do the same in connection with his report.

Both these questions were answered in the affirmative by the District.

It was further resolved that the synodical year of this district begin with the first of July, and that Joint Synod be requested to determine a common synodical year for all the districts.

4. We again move that Joint Synod be asked to change the time of meeting for our district so that it will take place either before or after harvest time. Our reason for this is, first, that 12 congregations who sent no delegates gave as their excuse the impossibility to get a delegate at this time of the year; secondly, because several petitions have been received requesting a change of time.

II. FROM THE MINUTES OF 1906:

We agree with the position which the president takes with reference to the revised English translation of the text of Luther's Catechism as it appeared in the *Lutheran Standard*.

We realize with the president the necessity of the erection of academies in the two districts mentioned (Washington and Kansas-Nebraska), and recommend that Joint Synod earnestly consider the same.

We petition Joint Synod to revise its assessment for the general synodical treasury.

Resolved, That we use our influence at the Joint Synod to have the *Lutheran Child's Paper* and *Little Missionary* appear in the future as one paper, and that the new paper then appear more frequently.

The wish was expressed that the manual which Joint Synod has commissioned the Rev. E. A. Boehme to prepare should appear in the near future.

Resolved to request Joint Synod to change its arrangement concerning orphans who wish to study for the office of the ministry or of teaching (Minutes of 1900, page 42, item 2) in such a manner that the expenses which cannot be remitted by the respective institutions be paid from the treasury of the Orphans' Home, but to increase the appropriation for the Orphans' Home to the same amount.

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER PFLUEGER, *Eng. Sec.*

FIRST ENGLISH DISTRICT.

Resolutions Presented to Joint Synod for Consideration.

1. *Resolved*, that hereafter the names of beneficiaries of the Board of Aids Fund be not published in printed minutes, but that a list of same be furnished the district presidents, who shall furnish said list for inspection at each convention of Synod.

2. Touching the Board of Aids Fund, be it resolved that it is the sense of this district that our present arrangement is preferable to the proposed pension system.

3. Touching the case of orphans, it is the opinion of this district:

a. That orphans should be provided for within the congregation where they belong.

b. That Synod, either Joint or District, make provision to find places in Christian homes for all orphans that can not be cared for by the congregations as stated in *a*.

c. That orphans should be sent to a home, such as we have in Richmond, and held there as a last resort.

4. Relative to the request of Lima conference for permission to disband, we petition Joint Synod to grant these brethren permission to merge their conference with the German conference of that locality, or to unite with other conferences of the English District.

Respectfully,

F. W. ALMENDINGER,
Sec'y First Eng. Dist.

Canal Winchester, Ohio, July 10, 1906.

CONCORDIA DISTRICT.

1. *Resolved,* That the petition from the Children's Mission Home of Knoxville, Tenn., to be taken under the care and oversight of Synod, be referred to Joint Synod for consideration.

2. *Resolved,* That we strongly disapprove of any radical change in the character of the general presidency, and deplore that the Western District is agitating such a change. We endorse every word that our District President has said on this point, and recommend that not only the general presidency be retained in its present character but also that all possible influence be brought to bear to retain the present incumbent, Dr. C. H. L. Schuette.

3. *Resolved,* That in the judgment of this District, the offices of President and House-Father of Capital University should remain so ordered that both can be filled by the same person.

4. *Resolved,* That, concerning the orphanage question, the sense of Concordia District is that, in the first place, it is the sacred duty of every congregation to care for its orphaned children, and only when this is impossible the care of such children be added to the burden of Joint Synod; and, furthermore, that for the greatest welfare of our orphans it be made the duty of the Board of the Orphans' Home to put forth every effort to place children harbored in the Home into Christian, that is to say Lutheran, families wherever possible and as soon as opportunity presents itself.

5. *Resolved,* That with respect to the Board of Aids, the Concordia District requests Joint Synod not to bring about a radical change in the plan now in vogue in gathering and distributing the money of this fund.

WISCONSIN DISTRICT.

To the Honorable Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States:

The Wisconsin District passed the following resolutions, which we bring to the notice of your Honorable Body, viz:

"We petition Joint Synod to make arrangements for establishing an academy within our bounds as a preparatory school for our educational institutions at Columbus, St. Paul and Woodville.

"We do not approve of the proposed change in the general presidency as recommended by the Western District, nor do we deem it wise to separate the house-fathership from the office of President of Capital University. We recommend that in both cases no change be made."

Respectfully,

H. EISENBACH, *President.*
H. THEDINGA, *Secretary.*

MINNESOTA DISTRICT.

Resolutions to be Brought Before the Joint Synod.

1. *Resolved*, to give to the third commandment in the new edition of the English Catechism the old Lutheran form.

2. As the majority of our District greatly desires to have a Pension Fund, we ask the Joint Synod to draw up a plan for such a fund and to lay it before the districts for deliberation.

3. *Resolved*, That in reference to the projected change concerning the office of the General President and the office of the House-Father in Capital University at Columbus, Ohio, no change be made; and that also the incumbent of the general president's office remain in that office.

4. *Resolved*, That we recommend to Joint Synod that the salaries of the professors be increased.

5. *Resolved*, to recommend to Joint Synod that our brethren in Canada be allowed to form a new District as soon as they may deem it wise to do so.

Rev. G. Weise, *Secy.*

KANSAS AND NEBRASKA DISTRICT.

Concerning the Pastors', Teachers', Widows' and Orphans' Fund, "We as a district propose, that the old plan be retained, and that this cause henceforth be more faithfully and diligently supported."

1. Concerning the general presidency, we move that we leave the office as at present constituted, unchanged. For during the last ten to twelve years it has proven itself to be a wise and blessed arrangement to keep the general presidency and a professorship separated, and that our delegates to Joint Synod be instructed to oppose earnestly any changes in this respect.

2. We move that the office of housefather and that of president of Capital University be held by one person, as heretofore.

3. Concerning the provisions to be made for our orphans, we move that they be taken care of in Christian homes as much as possible.

4. *Be it resolved*, That the Kansas and Nebraska District pledges to furnish the site and the necessary buildings for a preparatory school for our different colleges and seminaries, and that Joint Synod be requested to call and salary two professors for the same, the location to be decided upon later.

W. F. H. Kerl, *Sec.*

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

At its regular session on June 11, 1906, the Washington District of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Ohio and Other States, resolved to present to Joint Synod the following:

"The founding of an academy (i. e. of a preparatory school to our existing synodical institutions), within the territory of the Washington

District seems to us imperatively necessary. On this account it is the request of the District that Joint Synod appropriate an annual sum of $2,000.00 to the support of such a school, the District taking it upon itself to build and equip the same and turn the property over to Joint Synod free from debt."

H. WITTROCK, *Sec.*

TEXAS DISTRICT.

1. In reference to the Ministers', Teachers', Widows' and Orphans' Treasury, it was resolved, that the present plan be retained and conscientiously carried out. For greater efficiency the pastors, teachers, officers of Synod and especially the Hon. President of Joint Synod should endeavor to secure legacies and donations toward a permanent fund for this purpose.

2. In reference to the quota of our District for the Synodical Treasury we join with the Hon. President of our District in requesting Joint Synod to lessen our quota; otherwise we shall be compelled to give up the printing of the minutes of our proceedings.

3. In reference to the delegate for this time it was decided, not to select one. Thereupon it was proposed and accepted, that our Hon. President should represent us as delegate and as such have a seat and voice in the preliminary committee and in the general assembly. It was further decided, that the vice-president act as alternate to the Hon. President.

Respectfully,

CHRISTIAN VOLK, *Sec.*

EASTERN DISTRICT.

Resolved, That we request Joint Synod relative to items 2-10 (page 45 and 46 of 1904 Joint Synod Minutes, not to make changes, and that distribution be made according to the needs of the cases in hand.

VARIA.

1. Whereas the committee of inquiry appointed by Synod has found the confessional position of the brethren in Australia to be correct, we have nothing further to offer, except that in this connection your committee move, that the petition of Past. Meyer, of Lincoln, Ill., for contributions toward defraying the traveling expenses of the pastor called to Australia, be granted.

2. Respecting the recommendations of the Western and Northern Districts, that Joint Synod establish a uniform statistical Synodical year for all our Districts, your committee move that the calendar year be accepted, beginning with January, 1907.

3. As to the time for the conventions of our Districts, your committee after mature deliberation, has come to the conclusion that existing arrangement should be retained.

4. Your committe move that the petition of the Lima Conference of the First English District be granted.

5. On motion of the Minnesota District your committee recommend, that Joint Synod allow the brethren in Canada, at the proper time, to organize themselves into a Canada District.

6. In reply to a motion of the Northern District touching the voting membership of Synod, your committee recommends that no change be made in the matter.

7. The Washington District expresses the wish that an attempt be made to come to an agreement with Iowa in doctrine and practice. We propose to Joint Synod that steps be taken to bring about such a consummation with Iowa.

ACTION OF SYNOD ON THE SAME.

Items 1-4 adopted.

Item 5 was laid on the table until next meeting of Joint Synod.

Item 6 adopted.

Item 7 adopted and then referred to the General President.

Other items in these communications not noticed by this sub-committee, were referred to other sub-committees for consideration and action.

COMMITTEE ON EQUALIZATION OF TRAVELING EXPENSES.

Your committee, appointed to equalize the traveling expenses of the delegates to Synod begs leave to submit the following report:

I. The sum total of all traveling expenses amounts to $1,131.10

II. There were 78 delegates present.

III. The average was $14.51.

IV. We received $516.85.

V. We paid out $499.86.

Resolved, That the surplus of $16.99 be paid to the Synodical Treasurer.

ELECTIONS.

The nominations proposed by the District Presidents, with few changes, were ratified by Synod.

It was then decided that the election take place at the fixed time, Tusday from 8 A. M. to 12 M.

The Election Committee consisted of Rev. G. D. Simen, Teacher H. Amelung and Mr. C. W. Rohe.

At the request of the Publication Board the membership of this Board was increased from 8 to 9. It was also resolved the number of the Home Mission Board be decreased from 7 to 5.

The election, which took place according to the regulations of Synod, resulted as follows:

General Institution Treasurer. — Mr. Fred J. Heer, Columbus, Ohio.

Auditing Committee. (Elect Two for Two Years.)—Prof. G. K. Leonard, Columbus, Ohio. Rev. C. C. Hein, Columbus, Ohio.

Treasurer of Foreign Missions. (Elect One for Two Years.)— Rev. A. W. Werder, Wheeling, W. Va.

Theological Seminary, Columbus, Ohio. (Elect Four for Six Years.) — Rev. E. Cronenwett, D. D., Butler, Pa. Rev. L. H. Burry, Massillon, Ohio. Rev. C. F. W. Allwardt, Hamilton, Ohio. Rev. W. E. Schuette, Toledo, Ohio.

Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn. (Elect Two Pastors and Two Laymen for Four Years.) — Rev. H. Eisenbach, Oconto, Wis., four years. Rev. F. Ohlrogge, Seymour, Wis., four years. Mr. C. Burkhart, Burkhart, Wis., four years. Mr. Pombluhm, St. Paul, Minn., four years.

Normal School, Woodville, Ohio. (Elect Two Pastors for Four Years, One for Two Years, One Teacher, One Layman for Four Years.) — Rev. C. Langendorff, Woodville, Ohio, four years. Rev. A. Dornbirer, Sandusky, Ohio, four years. Rev. J. H. Kuhlman, Springfield, Ohio, two years. Teacher Geo. Conrad, Columbus, Ohio, four years. Mr. H. Fuermeyer, Gibsonburg, Ohio, four years.

St. Paul's Academy, Hickory, N. C. (Elect Two Pastors for Four Years, One for Two Years and One Layman for Four Years.) — Rev. C. B. Gohdes, Baltimore, Md., four years. Rev. A. C. Schiff, Washington, D. C., four years. Rev. W. E. Schramm, Allegheny. Pa., two years. Mr. N. S. Dasher, Hickory, N. C., four years.

Wernle Orphans' Home, Richmond, Ind. (Elect Two Pastors and Two Laymen for Four Years, and One Layman for Two Years.) — Rev. M. L. Baum, Dayton, Ohio, four years. Rev. A. J. Feeger, Richmond, Ind., four years. Mr. F. Rogge, Dayton, Ohio, four years. Mr. J. Roselius, Eaton, Ohio, four years. Mr. E. Schlingman, Eaton, Ohio, two years.

Old Folks' Home, Mars, Pa. (Elect One Pastor and One Layman for Six Years). — Rev. H. J. Schuh, Allegheny, Pa., six years. Mr. H. J. Troutman, Butler, Pa., six years.

Board of Publication. (Elect One Pastor and One Layman for Six Years.) — Prof. F. W. Stellhorn, D. D., Columbus, Ohio, six years. *Mr. W. C. Windisch, Detroit, Mich., six years. Mr. Luther Loy, Columbus, Ohio, six years.

Board of Home Missions. (Elect Two Pastors for Six Years.) — Rev. J. C. Schacht, Columbus, Ohio, six years. †Rev. R. E. Golladay, Columbus, Ohio, six years.

Board of Colored Missions. (Elect One Pastor and One Layman for Six Years, One Pastor for Two Years.) — Rev. J. E. A. Doermann, Washington, D. C., six years. Hon. John J. Dobler, Baltimore, Md., six years. Rev. Wm. Hartlage, Ellicott City, Md., two years.

Board of Jewish Missions. (Elect One Pastor and One Layman for Four Years, One Layman for Two Years.) — Mr. Otto Meyer, Allegheny, Pa., four years. Rev. G. D. Simen, Perrysville, Pa., four years. Mr. Adolf Braun, Allegheny, Pa., two years.

Board of Aids. (Elect One Pastor, One Teacher, One Layman for Four Years.) — Teacher C. Vogel, Woodville, Ohio, four years. Rev. C. H. Althoff, Gibsonburg, Ohio, four years. Mr. K. Mueller, Oak Harbor, Ohio, four years.

Statistician. — Rev. W. H. Price, Detroit, Mich.

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*By acclamation.

†As the election between Revs. Golladay and Ebert resulted in a tie, the same was decided by lot.

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OTHER RESOLUTIONS AND BUSINESS.

1. At the Friday session, Rev. G. Doering, Emigrant Missionary of the General Council, was granted permission to present more particularly the work of emigrant missions. After Synod had heard him, the following proposition was presented to Synod and adopted: Since many members, especially of our German congregations, have enjoyed the services of the Emigrant Home and its missionary and others no doubt will enjoy the same in the future, we herewith recommend this important work to the kind consideration of Synod.

2. In connection with the 75th Jubilee service of the Theological Seminary at Columbus, Ohio, two congratulatory letters were received and read — one from the Theological Faculty of the Wartburg Seminary at Dubuque, Iowa, and the other from Dr. F. Richter, President of the Iowa Synod; also a dispatch from Rev. Gerhard Rasmussen and his wife. (The former was at one time a student of this institution, and the latter is the daughter of Prof. Lehmann, of blessed memory.) Missionary H. Harms likewise presented orally the congratulations in behalf of the Hermannsburg Mission Society. The recipients to whom

these congratulations were addressed were appointed to make a suitable reply.

3. A number of the afternoon and evening sessions were opened with English divine service.

The fixed time for sessions was from 8:30 to 11:30 A. M., and from 2 to 5 P. M.

4. *Resolved*, That we publish 6,500 German and 2,800 English minutes.

5. *Resolved*, That we extend our sincere thanks to the different pastors of Columbus and their congregations for the courtesy and kindness shown the delegates during the session of this Synod and that the respective pastors be requested to announce the same to their congregations.

6. *Resolved*, That we extend a vote of thanks to our secretaries for their faithful service, and that they each be given $25 for their labors.

After Synod had completed its business, adjournment took place according to form in our liturgy.

The correctness of these minutes is attested by

C. H. L. SCHUETTE, *President*,
WM. H. PRICE, *English Secretary*,
W. D. AHL, *German Secretary*.

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DIVINE SERVICES DURING SYNOD.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (REV. C. C. HEIN).

Thursday Morning: Synodical Sermon by President C. H. L. Schuette, D. D., on Jer. 23, 28.

Friday Evening: School Sermon by Dir. K. Hemminghaus, Ps. 78, 5-7.

Saturday Afternoon: Confessional Sermon by Rev. J. M. Johanssen on Ps. 32, 1, 2.

Sunday Morning: German address to the Sunday School, by Rev. J. F. C. Soller and in English by Rev. Wm. H. Price.

Main Sermon by Prof. H. K. G. Doermann on the Gospel Lesson for the day, Luke 18, 9-14.

Tuesday Evening: Pastoral Sermon by Rev. W. Langholz on 1 Cor. 15, 18.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (REV. J. H. SCHNEIDER).

Sunday Morning: English address to the Sunday School by Rev. C. F. W. Allwardt.

Confessional Sermon by Rev. E. A. Born, Luke 15, 11.

Main Sermon by Rev. R. C. H. Lenski on Matt. 5, 12-16.

Sunday Evening: English Sermon by Rev. W. Hohberger on Isa. 49, 11. 12.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH (REV. SCHACHT).

Sunday Morning: English Sermon by Rev. Geo. F. Pauschert on Mark 16, 15.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH (REV. R. E. GOLLADAY).

Sunday Morning: Sermons by Rev. C. B. Gohdes, Luke 9. 10, and by Rev. C. V. Sheatsley, Luke 18, 9-14.

EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (REV. C. W. BACHMAN).

Sunday Morning: Sermon by Rev. O. S. Oglesby on Exodus 17, 8-13.

ST. MATTHEWS LUTHERAN CHURCH (REV. W. N. HARLEY).

Sunday Morning: Sermon by Rev. D. E. Snapp.

ST. LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH (REV. G. W. LOSE).

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ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

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WM. H. PRICE.

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